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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Defence Budget

BRITAIN this year is being committed to the biggest peace-time spending on military necessities in the history of the nation, and the effort represents the degree of importance which the British Government places on the demand that the free world make itself not only strong enough to resist military aggression, but as far as possible to deter it. The British contribution to the defence of Western Europe is something considerably more than a token. It is, in fact, a courageous lead to the rest of her allies. She can ill afford at this time to make such a severe drain on her relatively meagre resources, and but for her sense of responsibility as the acknowledged leader of the Western European bloc, she might have been expected to have pared military expenditure in order to satisfy other pressing financial requirements. It is appreciated that Britain hopes to receive \$140 million in dollar aid towards the cost of her military programme. Yet she still has to find the huge sum of \$1,200,000,000 for rearmament expenditure over and above the ordinary domestic budget. It will not be surprising if Mr Butler finds himself unable to anticipate a surplus for 1953-54.

It is interesting to note the compelling factors which have necessitated the new record defence estimates. One is recognition of Britain's overseas obligations in resisting the Communist cold war campaign; the other, common action with the Commonwealth and other allies to ensure against the risk of being forced by the Communists to defend themselves against direct attack. Thus Britain's defence budget for the coming year becomes as realistic as her appreciation of the international situation, leaving little or no room for criticism. Britain is not going to build up bigger armies, but her resources are going to be devoted to providing more and better planes, improved war weapons of all types, and research that will aid the allied cause to a much greater extent than the provision of a standing army of millions of men. The significant feature about the defence programme is that it is conceived not merely to safeguard Britain, but to help ensure protection of the entire free world.

BRITAIN'S FEARS OVER

US POLICY EXPLAINED

Difficult Months Ahead

London, Feb. 20. Britain is aware that her fears about American policy in the Far East are severely straining Anglo-American relations, a reliable source said today.

He added that Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr R. A. Butler, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, would try to reach a better understanding with the Republican Administration in Washington.

The source said that the British Government felt that Mr Eisenhower's denouement of Formosa — which caused an outcry in Britain — was the least he could have done in view of the Republican election statements.

But he repeated that Britain never felt that a blockade of Communist China would be a good idea. That strategy involved the question of blockading Russian ports and who knew what the Soviet reaction could be?

Britain also could not see how a blockade could be effective as China got her main supplies overland.

The source said that Britain believed that it would be advisable in Korea to replace as many Americans as possible with South Korean troops. That way an army of three-fourths or even five-sixths of South Koreans might hold the line against the Communists. However, the West, and the United States especially, would still have to foot a big bill for arms and equipment.

Indo-China, however, was the weakest link in the Far East and if the Communists were there it would be disastrous even if the West went on fighting in Korea, the source continued. He indicated it was doubtful that Vietnam could hold out long in that case and then the recently improving position in Malaya, where the British are fighting Communist terrorists, would be affected also. The main weakness in Indo-China sprang from the fact that France had only an 18-month period of selective service and could not use her draftees abroad, the source said, indicating that Britain believed it would take two more divisions to change over to the offensive in Indo-China.

The source said that Britain realised that it might be considered "impertinence" that it should voice its fears over the American action in the Far East with the United States bearing the burden there. But, he emphasised, that the urge to do something to end the Korean war must not lead to the doing of anything "stupid."

However, he added, Britain knew that the United States

Argentina Makes A Request & A Demand

Buenos Aires, Feb. 20. Argentina today asked Britain to rebuild constructions on Deception Island in the Antarctic South Shetlands, which were dismantled by British forces last week, and requested the "immediate return of two Argentines arrested and deported by Britain."

These demands were made in an Argentine reply to the British note delivered to the Foreign Ministry here last Sunday, informing Argentina of the British action on the island which is part of the British Falkland Islands dependency. The reply was handed to Sir Henry Bradshaw Mack, the British Ambassador here, by Acting Foreign Minister Humberto Sosa Molina this afternoon.

VISIT CALLED OFF
Soon after receiving the Argentine reply, Britain called off a visit by the cruiser Super to Buenos Aires next week.

The British Consul issued a statement saying the visit had been "suspended" and thanking all who had offered to entertain the officers and crew. Britain's role last Sunday announced that two Argentine citizens who had set up a base on Deception Island in the Antarctic South Shetlands had been arrested and deported. Buildings put up by them and a hut erected by Chile-claimant to the territory—were dismantled.

The British Note protested against the erection by the Argentine of a hut and tent and the flying of a flag only 400 yards from a British settlement building and near the British-built landing strip.

Britain described this "encroachment" as an "infringement of British sovereignty calculated to cause nuisance and obstruction." The British note added that the Acting Governor ordered the removal of Argentine personnel and the dismantling of Argentine installations which were done by a magistrate supported by police.

The Note described the Argentine landing made in January as a "deliberate act of trespass" and "an armed incursion" which was being treated simply as an infringement of British civil law in the area—Reuter.

Russia's \$90,000 For Flood Aid

London, Feb. 20. Russian organisations today sent \$90,000 to aid Britons who lost their homes in the floods which ravaged the East coast this month.

The Soviet gift was in four cheques delivered to the Mansion House where the Lord Mayor of London has organised a National Flood Relief Fund. With each cheque was a message of sympathy to the flood victims. The gift brought the flood total to £987,000.—Reuter.

DIFFICULT MONTHS

Bedford, Feb. 20. Mr Christopher Soames, son-in-law of Prime Minister Winston Churchill, said today, "the next few months are going to be difficult ones in the history of Anglo-American relations."

Mr Soames, who visited Washington with his father-in-law last month, said at a political meeting here that this was "bearing in mind that you have a President of the United States with a military background but not a great political background, and backed by an administration which is not politically experienced."

He had no doubt disagreements would arise, but personal contact between the two governments had never before been so strong, and disagreements and difficulties would be overcome.

Mr Soames, who is married to Mr Churchill's daughter Mary, is a Conservative member of Parliament and Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Prime Minister.—Reuter.

'Obstinate' Col Dies In Prison

Southwark, Feb. 20. The Southwark coroner was told today that "obstinate, cantankerous" retired Colonel Herbert James Palmer died in prison rather than make an apology and be a free man.

He was taken to prison last April for contempt of court following legal action by his wife on a domestic matter. He died of bronchial pneumonia.

The coroner, Dr Henry Wyatt, commented: "It would have been settled at once if he had apologised. He was not a criminal."

Verdict: Death from natural causes.—Reuter.

Calf Eaten By Python



A farmer on a farm near Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, was a very puzzled man for every now and then a calf would mysteriously vanish, leaving no trace whatsoever. The mystery was soon solved when he discovered a huge python sleeping off its latest meal in the nearby brush. These pictures were taken after the discovery of the python—the reptile has been caught and killed — and then cut open, exposing the complete body of the calf.—London Express.

Eisenhower's Resolution On The Repudiation Of Agreements

Washington, Feb. 20. President Eisenhower today asked Congress to declare its rejection of any interpretations of international agreements "which have been perverted to bring about the subjugation of free peoples."

The text of President Eisenhower's proposed resolution on the secret agreements including the preamble follows:

"Whereas during World War II, representatives of the United States, during the course of secret conferences, entered into various international agreements and understandings concerning other people; and

"Whereas the leaders of the Soviet Communist party, who now control Russia, in violation of the clear intent of these agreements or understandings, subjected the peoples concerned, including whole nations, to the domination of a totalitarian imperialism; and

"Whereas, such forcible absorption of free peoples into an aggressive despotism increases the threat against the security of all remaining free peoples including our own; and

"Whereas, the people of the United States, true to their tradition and heritage of freedom, are never acquiescent in such enslavement of any peoples; and

"Whereas, it is appropriate that the Congress join with the President in giving expression to the desires and hopes of the people of the United States; There be it.

"Resolved, That the Senate and the House concurring,

"Join with the President in declaring that the United States rejects any interpretation or applications of any international agreements or understandings made during the course of World War II, which have been perverted to bring about the subjugation of free peoples, and further

"Join in proclaiming the hope that the people who have been subjected to the captivity of Soviet despotism shall again enjoy the right of self-determination within a framework which will sustain the peace; that they shall again have the right to choose the form of government under which they wish to live, and that sovereign rights be restored to them all in accordance with the pledge of the Atlantic Charter."—Reuter.

TODAY'S RACING SELECTIONS

By "Rapier"	By "The Turf"
RACE 1 Empress of Peace Madame Butterfly Great Conqueror Outsider:—The Stranger.	RACE 1 Madame Butterfly Empress of Peace V. I. P. Outsider:—The Hopeful.
RACE 2 Bankfoot Squadron Leader Emerald Outsider:—Prestwood.	RACE 2 Emerald Half Moon Bay Skylon Outsider:—Bankfoot.
RACE 3 United Victory Crusherhouse Concord Outsider:—Pearl of Hongkong.	RACE 3 Pearl of Hongkong Air Power Beat That Outsider:—United Victory.
RACE 4 Lady Gloucester High Straight Radio Star Outsider:—Santa Claus.	RACE 4 Radio Star Hawthorn Moon Santa Claus Outsider:—First Edition.
RACE 5 Jip On Diamond Dahlia Boyne Outsider:—Mincola.	RACE 5 Jip On Diamond Dahlia Free Kick Outsider:—Wild Out.
RACE 6 Ben More Johnner Clonfeckle Outsider:—World Peace.	RACE 6 Ben More Johnner World Peace Outsider:—Clonfeckle.
RACE 7 American Carrot Valbridge Brivisto Outsider:—New Zealand.	RACE 7 New Zealand American Carrot Valbridge Outsider:—Solar Knight.
RACE 8 Matador Dashing Beauty II Rebel II Outsider:—Festival View.	RACE 8 Calamity Mabel Festival View Outsider:—Rebel II.
RACE 9 Henrietta Prince Dahlia Crown Witness Outsider:—Bright Bay.	RACE 9 Popularity Prince Dahlia Mystery Outsider:—Bright Bay.

UNWANTED REFUGEES

Edirne, Turkey, Feb. 20. Weary and footsore, 132 Bulgarian gypsies padded back on foot across the border into Bulgaria today—sent back as unwanted by the country where they sought refuge 18 months ago.

Their return was marked by one signal event—the frontier was opened for the first time for 14 months to allow the sorry procession to pass.

Women, carrying their babies born during their brief stop in Turkey, wept as their papers were checked by the stern-faced wardens of the two countries at the frontier post of Kapikure.

The routine over the gypsies trudged on—and the border barriers closed behind them.

Turkey closed the border in protest after Bulgaria included the gypsies among 158,000 Moslems Turkey had agreed to accept from Bulgaria.

After screening them, the Turks decided they did not want the gypsies and claimed some of them had been trained as spies.

Bulgaria recently agreed to take the gypsies back.—Associated Press.

Eight Seamen Drowned

Stornoway, Hebrides, Feb. 20. Eight seamen were drowned today when a fierce Atlantic gale lashed the 290-ton British trawler, Richard Crofts, to splinterwood on rocks off the West Scottish Coast.

Four of the crew of 12 were picked up alive, struggling in icy seas around Calf Island. One of the survivors was pulled aboard a lifeboat with his leg badly broken.

Rescuers on the shore fired lifelines in the teeth of the storm, while the survivors clutched at rafts.—Reuter.

20,000 MEN IN ATOMIC TESTS

Washington, Feb. 20. More than 20,000 American soldiers, sailors and airmen will take part in a series of atomic tests and military manoeuvres at the Nevada proving grounds this spring, the Defence Department announced today.

They will get training in physical protection and in tactics under simulated atomic combat conditions, the Department said.—Reuter.

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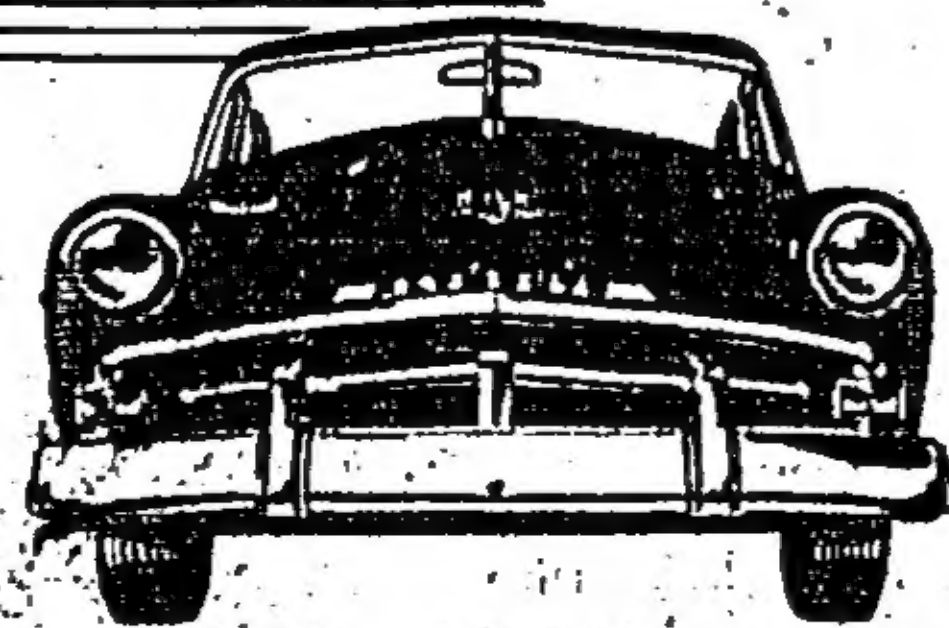
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Feature On N.T. Agricultural Show

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, G.C.M.G., is this morning opening the first New Territories Agricultural Show to be held in the Colony since the War.

Radio Hongkong's observers, John Rix and Donald Brooks, have been at the Yuen Long Middle School—where the show is being held—to record the opening speech by His Excellency and also to describe some of the exhibits in the show. The programme will be broadcast over Radio Hongkong tomorrow night at eight o'clock, which means that for this week only there will be no relay from London of "Forces' All Star Bill".

On Wednesday at 9 o'clock the Sino-British Orchestra, conducted by W. B. Foster, will be in the Concert Hall as Radio Hongkong's "Orchestra of the Week." Under the leadership of W. A. Blair-Kerr, they will play Haydn's Trumpet Concerto—with Benjamin Sanchez as soloist—and Symphony No. 92 in G Major—the "Oxford"—also by Haydn.

Tomorrow morning, Sunday, at 10.25, the station is broadcasting the Magnificent in D by Bach. This is a very fine recording made by the BBC, in which the solo parts are taken by Joan Alexander, soprano, Nancy Evans, mezzo-soprano, Mary Jarrett, contralto, William Herbert, tenor, and William Parsons, bass. The BBC Chorus and Symphony Orchestra are conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

The verse of Rudyard Kipling has long been a part of the musical settings, in fact, rather to the contrary: the atmosphere of "Danny Deever", for instance, has been fitted from the music of Dvorak—so much so that Kipling himself is said to have been profoundly moved by its first performance. On Monday, at 8 o'clock Radio Hongkong is introducing a recorded recital of six of Kipling's songs by the baritone, Leonard Warren.

The first in a series of new light music programmes comes on Friday at 7.30 p.m. It is titled "Tip Top Tune"—almost explains itself. Presented by Jean, this is a monthly half-hour which you can hear the hills of the month chosen by listeners in their requests—in this case, during February.

Two programmes of Calypso music are to be broadcast on Tuesday at 7.15 p.m. and next week at the same time. The first deals with this style of music as sung in its home islands—the West Indies—and the second illustrates the Calypso as sung by West Indians in Britain.

SPORT
This afternoon at 5 o'clock, George Mills will give a relay from Club Ground on the Rugby Union Pentagonal Tournament—between the Club and the Army.

Tomorrow at 6.02 there's a recorded commentary by Guy Pritchard and Brig Young on the League Cricket match between the Optimists and the Scorpions at the Hongkong Cricket Club, with a summary of play by Brig Young from the studio.

(Broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.02 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band).

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The Novel by Charles Dickens.
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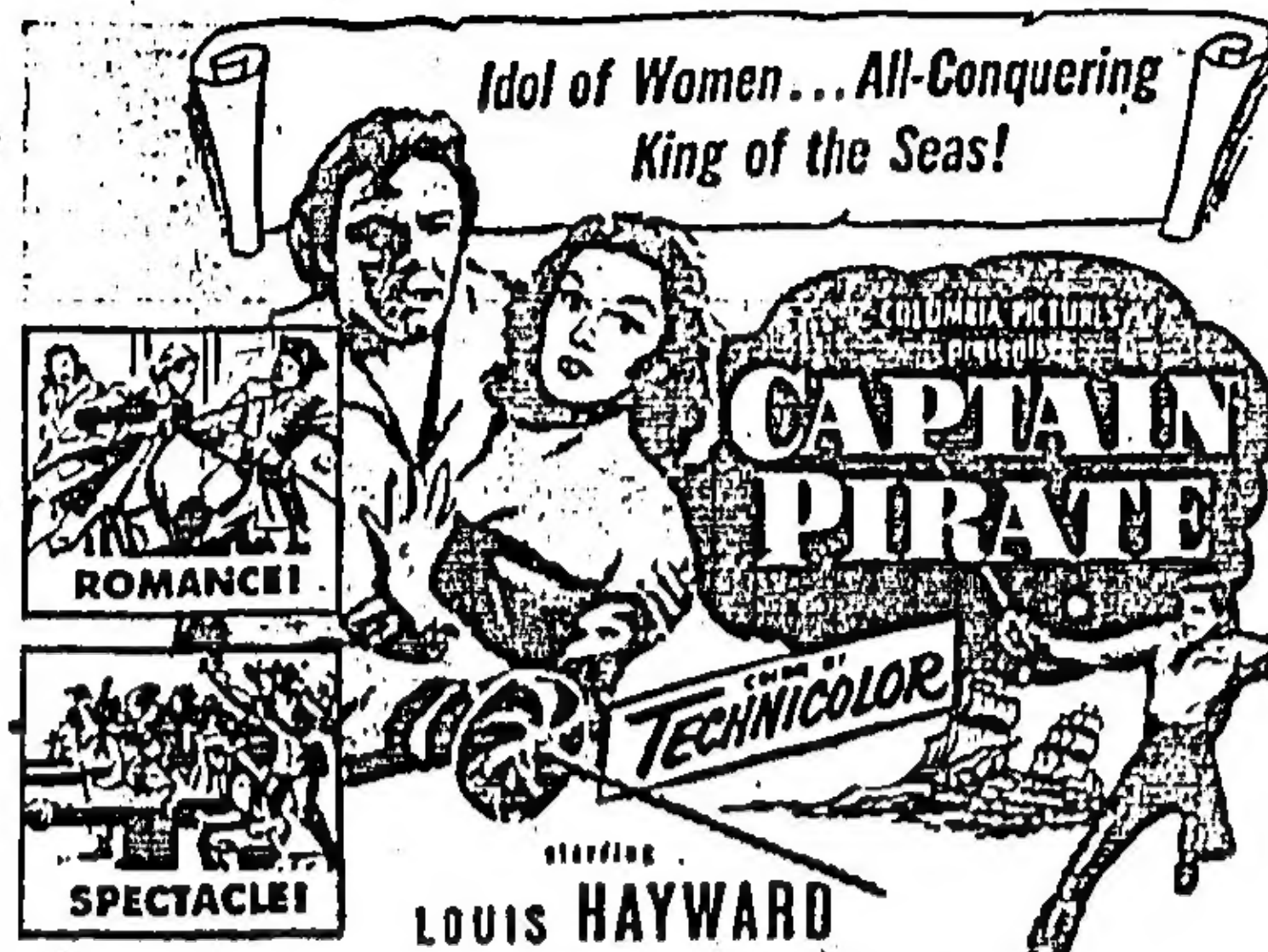
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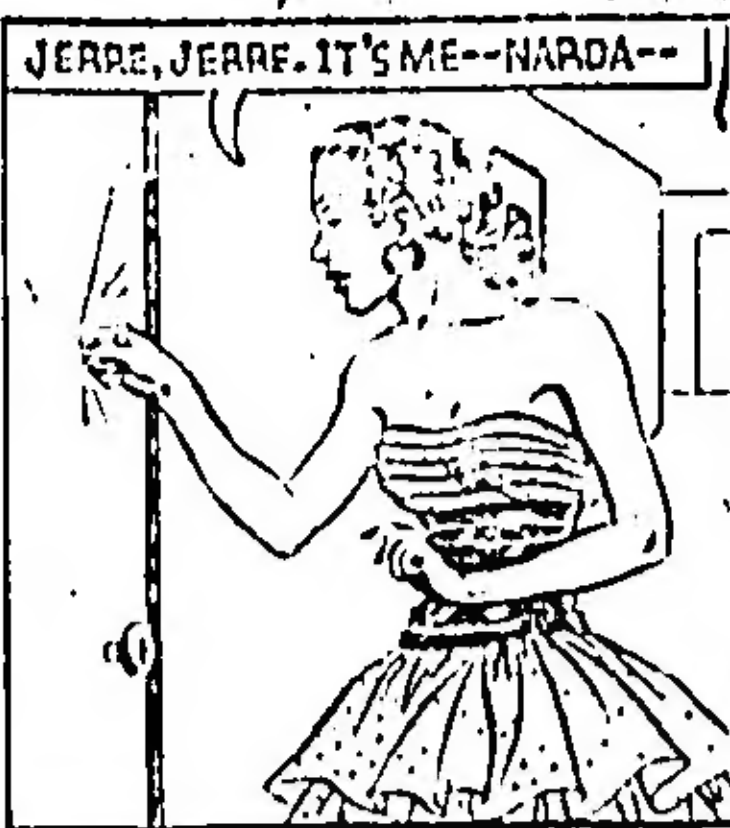
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**DAVID LEWIN'S Spotlight****The 'Harem Girl' Finds Herself In Strange Company...**

A FACE, long familiar in a dozen or so Hollywood film harems, turns up in unexpected company today.

Yvonne De Carlo, who once told me her grounding in films was to be strapped to a horse and carried off to some desert sheik, is in London to make a picture called "Paradise" with Alec Guinness and Celia Johnson.

There were raised eyebrows in Hollywood when she told them the news. I predict similar reactions over here. Never before has Miss De Carlo, a lively young woman with large brown eyes, been exposed to such concentrated acting competition.

I asked her if the thought of standing up to Mr Guinness and Miss Johnson worried her.

She said: "I think it will make me try to act up to their level. I'm going into this with my eyes open. I figure this picture is my prestige film. Every actress needs one once in a while."

"I'm not usually given my picture as leading actors as leading men. I usually get the boys with physique."

"When you have a leading man who doesn't understand acting, playing opposite him is about as easy as hugging timber. I know. I've had some. With Guinness it will be different. It will be a pleasure measuring up to him."

The Tangier beauty

How about the competition from Celia Johnson? In the film, Guinness is the skipper of a ferry-boat between Gibraltar and Tangier with a "wife" at either end of the line. Miss De Carlo is the exotic beauty at the Tangier end.

Said she: "I don't usually go for other women in my films. I try to keep them out. But Miss Johnson is kind of different. She is so great (I went up to introduce myself to her once) you don't feel she is an actress at all. She is just a real person."

I wish Yvonne De Carlo luck. I think she deserves it because of her twinkling sense of humour.

She smiled at me when she said: "Maybe having me in the film won't be so bad for Guinness either. After all, he doesn't often get a woman with my shape in his pictures. It



might help him with his romantic appeal."

Too much decline

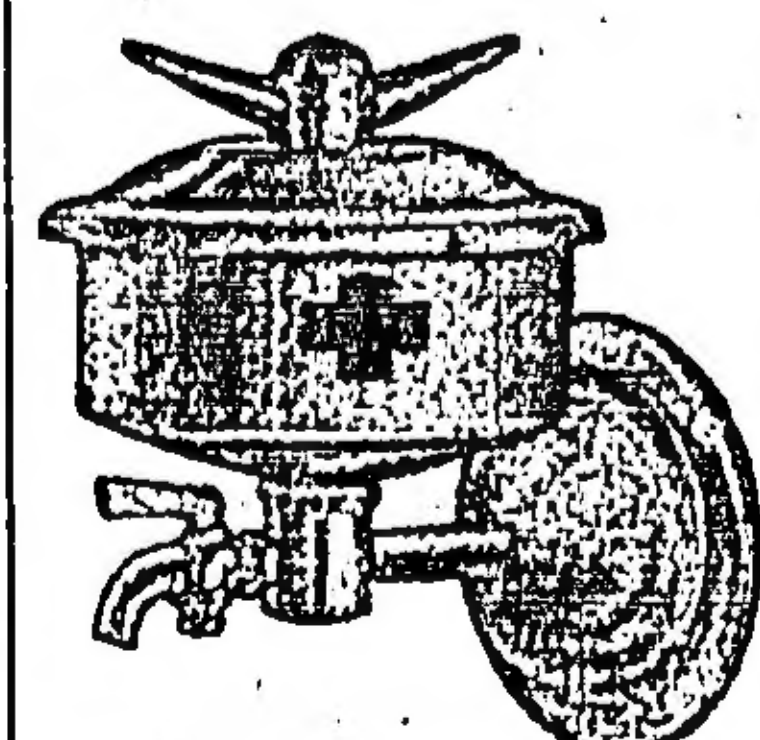
ONCE AGAIN Bette Davis demonstrates the destructive force of a declining star. After "All About Eve" (which narrowly failed to win her an Oscar) she has made another film in the same vein.

It is the story of a Hollywood star who is no longer wanted by producers, who cannot get parts, and has only an Oscar to console her in old age and loneliness.

It is called simply "The Star." It comes at a time when film people seem over-fascinated with failure. Gloria Swanson's "Sunset Boulevard" started the cycle. There was a second Swanson film, "Three for Bedroom C" with a similar idea. Chaplin in "Limelight" showed his version of a clown in despair at a come-back.

Even away from show-business plots, Hollywood showed the decline and fall of a successful man in Laurence Olivier's film, "Carrie." Why all this gloom? Can it be old age among picture makers—or a morbid curiosity about what follows fame?

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WHEN the triplet sons of Mrs. Dorothy Kirby, of Stratford, London—18-year-old Allan, Dennis and Brian—received their call-up for National Service, their mother's plea to the War Office not to separate them was respected. They have done everything together since they were young. The three boys are now undergoing training at North Frith Barracks, Blackdown, Hants. Allan with the Bren gun, and Dennis and Brian behind, are listening to Cpl. T. Garvey.

THE Duchess of Kent, wearing long coat and Wellington boots, touring flooded Sheerness, Isle of Shepney, stands by a lake on which two swans float. The lake was a field before the flood. (Express)



LONDON had its first view of the magnificent purple velvet robe the Queen will wear for the Coronation at the Royal School of Needlework, where, as picture shows, women skilled in hand needlework and embroidery, are working on the designs. (Reuterphoto)



MIRIAM KARLIN, who plays Sadie Thompson in a London revival of Somerset Maugham's play, "Rain," is seen here in her Embassy Theatre dressing room wearing the outfit that she appears in on the stage. (Express)



MR T. G. Siggers with his Great Dane, Ch. Elch Edler of Ouborough, photographed at the Crufts Show after receiving the trophy for the Best in the Show.



CHATTING together at the University College Hospital dance held at Grosvenor House, London, are (left to right) Sir Alexander Maxwell, Chairman of the Hospital, Miss Helen Downton, Matron, and Mr T. F. McKeown. (Express)



LEFT: A scene from the new ballet, "The Great Detective," at Sadlers Wells Theatre. The fictional Conan Doyle detective, Sherlock Holmes, is portrayed by Kenneth McMillan (right). His assistant, Dr Watson, is timed by Stanley Holden. (Express)



FORTY additional horses are now under training at Knightsbridge Barracks to meet the extra demands of the Coronation. They are being accustomed to music, crowd noises, flags and other hazards.



RIGHT: Miss Lily Sansom, daughter of Mrs Odette Churchill, who was awarded the George Cross for her wartime service as a British agent in France, is pictured in London as she made her debut as a model in the spring fashion shows. Miss Sansom is 18 years old, and is 5 ft 7 in. tall. (Express)



THE Chief of the Imperial General Staff, General Sir John Harding, presenting the Sword of Honour to Senior Under Officer B. C. Gordon-Lennox after he took the Sovereign's Parade at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst. SUO Gordon-Lennox comes from Stretton-on-Fosse, Moreton-in-the-Marsh, Gloucestershire.

NANCY

Precaution

By Ernie Bushmiller



A BANNER AND A STRANGE DEVICE

GUESSES THREE LIONS PASSANT GUARDIAN IN FACE OR is the official description of the Standard Lord Derby will carry in the Coronation. It means three golden lions on a red background.

By George Tansey

MAN with one of the best close-ups of the Coronation inside Westminster Abbey on June 2 looks like being 34-year-old Edward John Stanley, the 6 ft. tall 18th Earl of Derby, of Knowsley Hall, Huyton, near Liverpool.

He has been picked for England, as you might say, by the Duke of Norfolk, who, as Earl Marshal, is the Coronation team manager.

Marching in the van of the Royal Procession to the enthronement inside the Abbey he will carry the Standard of the Three Golden Lions (sometimes known as Leopards), which are England's share in the Quarterings of the Royal Standard.

I gather there is considerable rejoicing in the winter privacy of Knowsley over this appointment, which is definitely not an automatic honour for the House of Stanley, though it also fell to the 17th Earl, the present Lord Derby's grandfather, at the Coronation of King George V.

Significance

It can be regarded as having a double significance, partly a gesture to an historic family which has been close to the Throne for nearly 500 years, and partly as an honour for modern England, which Lord Derby is Lord-Lieutenant.

Lord Derby, who is England's 2nd premier Earl, heard the good news well in advance of other northern peers. It passed him with several Williams.

One—the choice of a page to carry his ceremonial—was soon settled. Lord Derby has chosen 13-year-old Henry George Herbert, Viscount Throby, the son of the Earl of Soudley, Lady Derby's brother. At the time of writing, this young nephew of Lord Derby was excitedly trying to find out the details of his Coronation job at his home in Kent.

So, for that matter, was Lord Derby himself. Dress precedents were being hunted up in the Knowsley archives. As an Earl, Lord Derby could attend in his robe (three rows of ermine against a Duke's four) and his coronet of red velvet, ermine, eight silver balls on points and gold strawberry leaves. He could also attend in his splendid uniform as Lord-Lieutenant of Lancashire. He has actually been planning to combine the latter with his peer's robe, but is now wavering whether he will need anything special as S.A. third bearer for England.

Wonderful View

"We are awaiting further news from the Earl Marshal about details of dress and heralds," I was told at Knowsley.

Whatever the dress, Lord Derby should get a wonderful view. If precedent is followed, he will stand over his Standard to a Baron of the Cinque Ports at the entrance to the choir in Westminster Abbey and will then move on either to his peer's seat or a special place near the "throne," between the choir and the high altar, which is the scene of the enthronement.

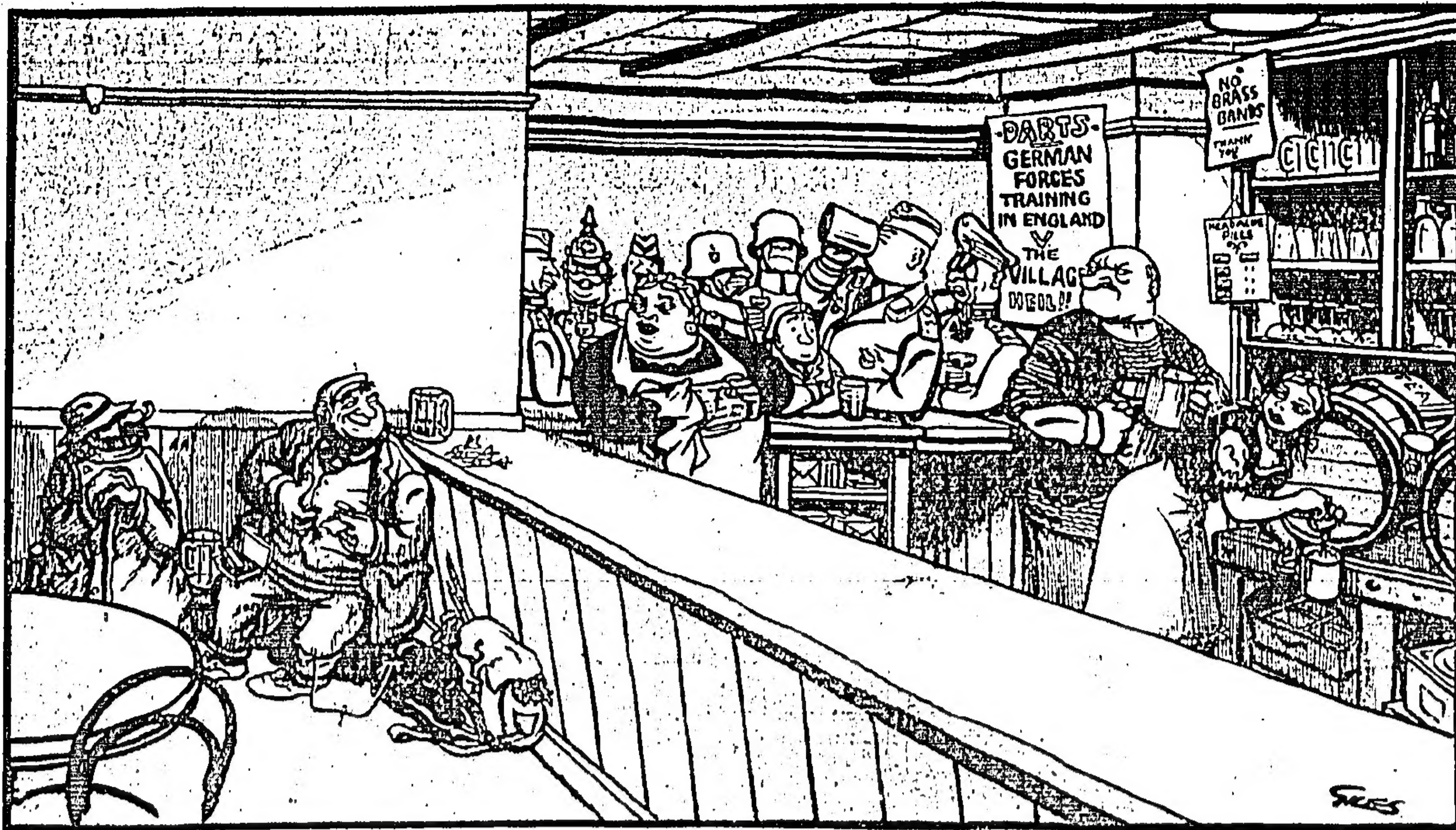
The appointment of Lord Derby to march for England represents a sparkling linkage of ancient tradition and modern times, with all due respects to Mr. Shawcross's point of view that only workers and planners should carry the banners.

The present Lord Derby, who won the M.C. at the Anzio beachhead, carries on his grandfather's public work in Lancashire and maintains the same keen interest in the Turf—but he is a very modern peer just the same.

The Red Rose

Knowsley Estate has been imperilled. The great house is open to the public again from Easter. And, though he is a personal friend of the Queen and acted as host at the first party Princess Margaret attended alone, he also entertained 25 Mersey-side dockers to a week-end at his racing stud.

This same young man is descendant of a line which has firmly planted the Red Rose of Lancashire into the bosom of English history. But the No. 1 Royal occasion for the Stanley was the one at Broomfield battlefield in 1485 when Lord Stanley, later the first Earl, grabbed the battered crown from the drunken head of Richard III and personally jammed it on the head of the victorious Richmond, who became Henry VII, first of the Tudors—and the root of the first Elizabethan era.



"Archibald reckons they owe him a pint for the time he wasted in the Home Guard waiting for their fathers..."

London Express Service

by
TREVOR EVANS

TITO

REAL NAME JOSIP BROZ, OTHERWISE
SLAVKO BABIC, OTHERWISE SPIRIDON
NEKAS, JUST "WALTER" TO STALIN

—now that's a man I'd like to meet

LONDON.

NEXT month Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia comes to Britain as a guest of the State. For months now resolutions of protest have been passed in this country against the visit. They have come from Communist Party branches and organisations connected with the Roman Catholic Church. Both are passionately convinced that Tito should not be invited here.

Like millions of other people in this country, I am neither a Communist nor a Roman Catholic.

While I respect their rights to be anti-Tito I reserve my own to be convinced that the elementary rights of courtesy from a host to a guest are not being sabotaged by prejudice.

THE STRUGGLE

WHICH, of course, brings me to the fundamental question: Should I, as a citizen of this country, ever have been committed by the Government to being a host to Tito? What did I really know of Tito as a man? Or of modern Yugoslavia?

Well, let me be quite frank on the last question. I probably know a little more than most people here about recent trends in Yugoslav economics.

I spent a heart-rending week in Belgrade at the end of a shattering drought in October 1950. I spent a happy day last month aboard the motor vessel Avala, the newest Yugoslav liner, in London docks.

But I have not met Tito. And now, more than ever, I wish I could. For there has just been published "Tito Speaks," a remarkable book by the Yugoslav politician, Vladimir Dedijer. It has a subtitle which is significant, "His self-portrait and struggle with Stalin."

THE LEARNER

IT is a convincing 170,000-word justification of the present regime in Yugoslavia. It pretends no impartiality. This is a book written by an admiring colleague and vetted and corrected by Tito himself. Yet its restraint and range save it from dismissal as starry-eyed idolatry.

Josip Broz, which is Tito's real name, born 60 years last May, in the

Croatian village of Kumrovec, had plenty of cloak and dagger experiences between Yugoslavia and Moscow as a Communist agitator after he had finished his apprenticeship as a locksmith and mechanic.

He was a prisoner of war in Russia when the 1917 Revolution took place, though at that time he never heard the name Stalin. He worked in the Comintern as "Walter," the name he still has in the Kremlin when they are not using epithets about him.

He had plenty of other names too. Among them Gligorjevic, Zagorac, and Slavko Babic. He even travelled to France and Denmark on a forged Canadian passport in the name of Spiridon Nekas.

He adopted the name Tito, thank goodness, because it occurred to him at a moment when fooling the secret police was his main concern. But he was caught. He spent five years in a convict in some of the worst prisons in Yugoslavia. He formed Communist "cells" in most of them.

The convicts were not allowed to speak to each other, so they devised finger signals. A man would seem to be scratching his head, but his index finger was spelling out a message in Morse.

Tito, devoted to Stalin and the Kremlin, had become boss of the underground Communist movement in Yugoslavia before the war started.

THE PARTISAN

WITHIN weeks of Hitler's attack on Russia, Tito and his comrades in Nazi-held Belgrade decided on their own war of liberation. It became the glorious, heroic story of the Partisans. Classes and political parties were forgotten. Most of the nation was behind him.

Hitler had to divert 600,000 troops to cope with the sturdy Partisan guerrillas. The German commander offered a reward of 100,000 Reichsmarks for Tito "dead or alive." And there were times when he was more dead than alive, though he was never in serious danger of betrayal by any of his starving compatriots.

What help did they get from Russia? None, save promises, until the Red Army came in from the east to help liberate Belgrade. After the war Tito and his closest colleagues visited Moscow.

There were incredible all-night suppers in Stalin's villa, which is situated in a private road barred to all except those with special passes. Stalin was cordial, brusque, affable, arrogant, and insulting in turn to almost everyone except Molotov and "Walter" (Tito).

But it was not until 1948, despite some sharp commercial deals by the Russians—who created a monopoly for themselves of Yugoslav air transport and river Danube traffic,

and charged extortionate fees for their experts in the years immediately after the war—that Tito and his Cabinet really saw through Stalin's plan.

He was out to bleed Yugoslavia white. He wanted another satellite State, dumb, yielding, unquestioning.

THE RESOLVE

HE did not know Tito or the Yugoslavians. They were heart-broken, yet resolute. The dreams of 30 years on the wisdom and goodness of the Kremlin were dispelled.

Stalin thundered economic annihilation of Yugoslavia. The West was indifferent, almost contemptuous. Yugoslavia was alone. It was her most glorious, determined hour.

Historically, this book is important because it is the first real insight from a top flight Communist (and Tito is still that) of what goes on inside the Kremlin. It is a sordid picture of the scheming and the cunning of Stalin to keep satellites at each other's throats; the refusal of Red Army officers to give up their batmen because their wives wanted someone to carry their shopping baskets; and the envy of the satellites is shown by their contemptible refusal to admit the simplest achievement by Yugoslavia.

They even announced, when football-mad Yugoslavia beat Norway by three goals to nil, that the victory was Hungary's!

No wonder the Cominform Communists in other lands, including ours, are hysterical in their anger to Tito, the man who dared to disobey Stalin. Incidentally there are plenty of references to Communist leaders in all countries except Britain. Mr. Pollard and comrades do not rank even a mention.

THE CARDINAL

THE book gives no clue to the reason why the Roman Catholics are so angry with Tito. There are two almost casual references to Cardinal Aloysius Stepinac, the Catholic leader in Yugoslavia. One that he sided with the Quisling Croats during the Nazi occupation; second that he began forcibly converting Orthodox Serbs to the Catholic faith.

There is a word about the cardinal's imprisonment or about strange relations with the Vatican. I confess this is a mystery, and the book does not show whether it is accidental or deliberate.

What sort of man has Josip Broz Tito himself developed into after eight years as the head of his State?

The picture given here is of an earnest, hard-working man. He has been thrice married. His first wife died in 1938, the second he divorced after the war, and the third he married last year.

He is content to live in his villa at 15, Rumunka Street, Belgrade, because he was once

taunted, after holding a reception in Prince Paul's palace, with "living in another man's house." He says he could not stand that.

He gets up at 5.30 in summer, 7 in winter. He is a 20-a-day cigarette smoker using a peculiar pipe-shaped holder. He likes meeting people, despite warnings from his officials that the Russians have planted assassins in Yugoslavia.

THE SUPPORTER

HE is a football fan, though he has given up being a rabid supporter of the Partisans, which used to be the Arsenal club of Yugoslavia, so as not to offend the supporters of other clubs. But he studies all the football results and would probably go in for the pools if he lived in this country.

He is a medium tennis player, pretty good at billiards, but

Tito—Football fan, amateur accordionist and dictator

not so hot at chess. He drinks little and lately has taken to locking his room in the afternoon to practise secretly on an accordion he received from Slovenia on his 50th birthday.

Tito acknowledges that no party can be a one-man show. Not even his. Indeed, Dedijer, the author, asserts that as properly comes back to Yugoslavia the Communist Party itself will become less and less important.

One day it may be part of a coalition with other parties concerned only with the well-being of the State and the happiness of its citizens. So the quicker Tito puts Yugoslavia on its feet the sooner he diminishes the importance of his own party. And he accepts this, which suggests that he is a remarkable politician.

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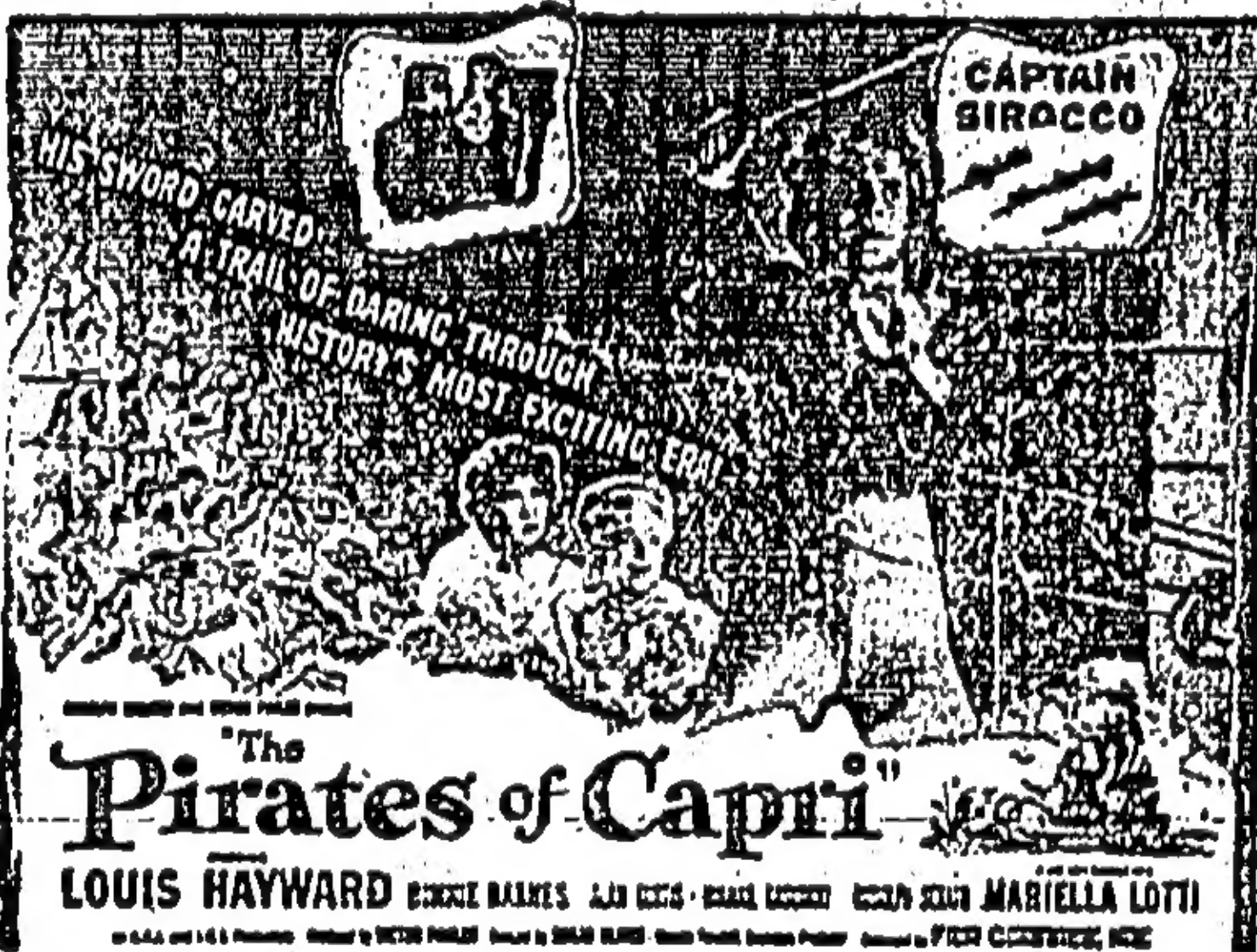
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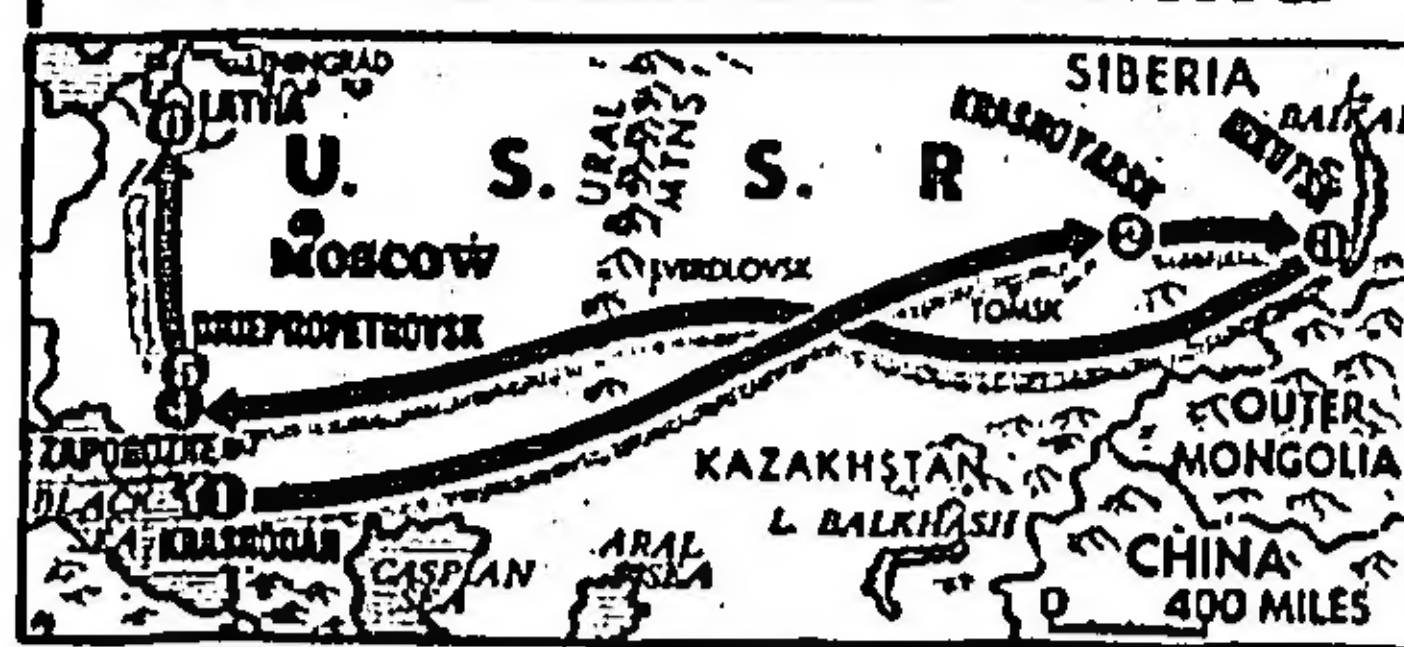
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To Irkutsk and back with Comrade Anna



The tale of Comrade Anna's too-free enterprises—as told to Soviet citizens by Pravda—begins with a magic knock at Krasnodar; ends thousands of miles and 20,000 roubles later in Latvia.

'Magic knock' fooled the high-ups

From Ralph Howins

Stockholm. She disappeared again and was next heard of several thousand miles away in Zaporozhe, where, after knocking at some more doors, she landed the job of trade union secretary.

From there she moved to Dnepropetrovsk with 5,000 of the trade union's roubles. But it was only in the Baltic republic of Latvia that she was eventually arrested.

Pravda says "not only must this girl go on trial but all the officials whom she succeeded in duping, cajoling or fascinating must account for their lack of revolutionary vigilance."

Pravda, the official Communist party mouthpiece, which usually derides the "capitalist newspaper practice of publicising criminals," today splashes the full story of confidence trickster Anna Rogovaya.

It seems that on a hot day last August, following her mysterious disappearance from guol, Anna knocked on the door of the deputy director at the Ministry of Justice, in the Krasnodar region.

'At peace?'

"There was magic in her knock or else the director was feeling too much at peace with the world on that hot day," says Pravda sardonically.

"But the fact is that Anna somehow inspired him with such sudden confidence that when she asked for a job he suggested that she should start the next morning."

Three days after her appointment she did not turn up and the director was so upset by her supposed sudden illness that he sent her a doctor. He never found her.

The militia was alerted when documents were missing. They were equally unsuccessful.

For wherever they may have been searching, Pravda says, it was certainly not in Central Asia, in the private office of the president of the Krasnoyarsk Red Cross.

He, too, apparently had been fascinated by a magic knock on his door.

Economist

The next day Anna was officially combining the duties of senior economist, typist, and cashier.

"How successful she had been in knocking or else a matter of doubt," says Pravda jeeringly, "but when she disappeared three days later it was discovered that the office typewriter and cash box with 15,000 roubles (about £1,300) had also gone."

In Irkutsk, a little later, chief Judge Bayev was so impressed by her first hand knowledge of criminal procedure that she became the clerk of the court within a fortnight of knocking on his door.

Her position allowed her to make many contacts among the local high-ups. The local chief of police fell under her spell and gave her a new five-year passport.

Anna persuaded him that the wrong name had been entered in her old passport.

With the notepaper and official forms stolen from Krasnodar, she forged documents and got many "dangerous prisoners" released.

ALL A LITTLE CONFUSING!

By John Gordon

London. An optician can now make them for you in a fortnight.

But there is still a little gum on the works. For apparently it takes the optician seven weeks to get permission to go ahead with the job because the administrative lads and lasses on top of him can't cope with the flood of forms.

No doubt many wonder at the effort you have to put into it. Or, in these days of very burdensome taxation, adequately recompensed.

WISER MEN than us seem to have seen the light. Mr. James, of Mitham, for example, when he follows his occupation of building labourer, he draws a wage of £6 a week.

To that the taxpayers add another £2 as a family allowance for his six children, bringing his total to £8 a week.

But if 33-year-old Mr. James hankers after a little leisure, either because the weather is good enough to make a holiday agreeable, or bad enough to make work disagreeable, a good fairy waves her wand over him—and, hey presto, his income rises to £8 6s. 6d.

For, instead of his employer paying him £6, we, the taxpayers, pay him £2 6s. 6d. through the National Assistance Board, plus the family allowances of £2 as usual.

I CONFESS, I find it a little difficult to decide whether we make too little sense, or Mr. James too much. But at least I begin to understand why the nation needs so many psychiatrists nowadays.

ESPECIALLY when you add to these lesser nonsense Mr. Eden's hair-raising new idea to help the Germans who have tried so hard and so often to smash us up.

We are, it seems, to bring the young soldiers and airmen of the new Germany over to Britain, show them the military mistakes their fathers made, which lost Germany the war, and teach them how to do better next time.

Aren't we wonderful?

LET'S PICK a few other sunbeams from the sky.

Under the blessing of nationalised medicine, I read, it now takes eight months to have a brace fitted to a child's teeth.

On the other hand, the business of providing State spectacles is briskening up.

WORST EPIDEMIC FOR TEN YEARS, THEY SAY... OH, WELL...

Spotless Wonder

...THE STORY OF A GIRL WHO WON'T GET MEASLES...

by the father who feels he has failed
BERNARD WICKSTEED

London. THERE is a curious crisis in our house. We have a daughter who won't get measles.

Maybe that sounds fine to you, but for us it is no joke. It has plunged the place into misery, and the most miserable of us all is this spotless unnatural child.

You see, her brother has got measles (and how!). He has had more spots than the square inch than a map of the South Pacific, and she is mad with jealousy.

We fear....

ALL she wants in this world is to have measles too. She is dying to get them, and if she continues to be thwarted we fear for her reason.

It makes us look such fools. She is beginning to lose faith in us. By all the laws of medicine she should have been spotted to her heart's content at least a week ago.

It is eight days now since the doctor looked her over and gave her 48 hours at the most.

Encouraged by this promising diagnosis we put her to bed in the same room as her measly brother and said: "There, there, now. Lie down quietly and you'll soon be ill."

The 48 hours went by without a measles in sight. Every morning we searched her from head to foot like diligent monkeys at the Zoo. Not a sign. The doctor, who was calling every day to look at her brother, shrugged his shoulders and gave her up.

as hopeless. Her case was beyond his aid.

Poor child, we tried to keep the awful truth from her. We continued to hold out a hope that we knew in our hearts was false. But she sensed that something was wrong.

She sensed it in the grave look of the doctor and in the nervous tension of her parents.

I begin to fear for the psychological consequences of this great disappointment. I get nightmares in which I see my precious daughter in the dock at the Old Bailey accused of some awful crime, and I hear the medical witnesses, one by one, blaming it all on her cruel parents who wouldn't let her have measles as a child.

Bogus pills

It is true we try to mitigate her hardships by treating the girl just as we do her more fortunate brother John. We give her bogus medicine out of

real bottles and pills of squeezed-up dough.

We take her temperature daily and keep her in a darkened room with a kettle steaming into it all day; but none of these subterfuges can disguise the basic fact that she hasn't a single spot.

I have even thought of creeping up to her bed at dead of night with a pot of red ink and painting her with artificial measles while she slept. But the trouble with that plan is it might wake her up, and the only time we get any peace is when she and the real patient are asleep.

She pines

YOUNG John in the meantime has had his spots and lost them again. The doctor has given up calling, and our daughter lies in bed and pines for the spots that never come.

When she grows a little older and goes to school her classmates, with that juvenile genius they have for exploiting the abnormal, will point the finger of scorn at her and cry: "Hoe, hoe, heel! She can't get measles! Silly old Kari!"

Mr. Chapman Pincher says this is the worst epidemic of measles in Britain for ten years, so if she cannot get it now I see no hope that she ever will.

(London Express Service)

How to beat that Monday Morning Feeling

I GET that Monday morning feeling (as I open my eyes to the cold light of Monday's dawn). YOU get that Monday morning feeling (if not at dawn then as you strap-hang towards five whole days of work). Everyone gets it... it seems.

But there is a cure for all complaints... or should be. So I have been trying to find the cure for the Monday malady. I went to the successful, the famous, the mighty. I thought, would he be able to give advice.

I asked Sybil Thorne (aged 70). Does she suffer from the Monday morning feeling?

Singing birds

"Oh, goodness me, no," she says. "I am usually in the country on Monday morning, and wake up to the sound of birds singing. Then I drive to town for lunch."

"I love Mondays, in fact, I love Tuesdays too—because I see my grandchildren. I love Wednesday days because it is matinee day. And I love Sundays because I can look forward to Monday again."

SO—if you are a Dame and have been appearing in a West End play for nearly two years you feel no despair at Monday's curtain rises.

I asked John Shagge (aged 48) whether he gets That Feeling.

He got the Monday feeling? "On no, I work seven days a week and rise at six on each one. I like work."

PHOEBE YOUNG goes on a hunt with the calendar

ILLUSTRATIONS BY GERALD HOFFMANN.

"Yes—but every morning, seven days a week. And in the old days, when I used to rise at dawn to read the first news bulletin, the beatliness became unbearable."

"But, working as we do, seven days a week, Monday itself presents no particular problem."

SO—if you have the day of announcing a disaster or tragedy at any time of night or day, Monday's programme need be no better than most.

I asked Sir Compton Mackenzie (aged 70) whether he suffers on Monday mornings.

"Not since I was at school," he says. "Now Monday means nothing. A writer writes when he wants to and when he must."

SO—if you are a self-employed writer, and a knight in the bargain, you do not even notice Monday's new leaf-turning.

I asked several big business men. On, rather, I tried to, but perhaps they were in their yachts or deep in the country protected by their butlers; no doubt taking Monday in much the same spirit as Sunday.

I did track one down, however—to a committee meeting. I asked Mr. H. J. Ford (aged 54), a director of the Portland Cement Company, if he got the Monday feeling?

"On no, I work seven days a week and rise at six on each one. I like work."

My advice? Treat yourself to the little extras on Monday. Go to your best place. Walk the pleasant way home. Have something extra good for supper.

SO—if you are a director of a big company you either work very little or work every day—and either way there is no Monday slump.

Optimist

Climbing a few steps down the ladder of success I went to people I know get the Monday blues.

Said the filing clerk with a baby at home: "I just feel frightful and hope that by lunchtime I'll be better."

After all, by the time Tuesday comes the week is nearly over."

Said the Frenchwoman selling model gowns: "It is terrible. Before the war I bought myself a new hat on Mondays to change my personality." [For postwar read lipstick or nail varnish instead of hat].

Said the civil servant with the brief case: "I just wait patiently till it is over. After all, Tuesday is bound to come."

Said the commissionaire with the waxed moustache: "I think of Monday as the peak of the week. I look forward to it—once its depression has passed the week is normal."

Said the window-cleaner: "I go to the pictures on Monday night to cheer myself up."

A few people cheer themselves up that way—cinemas and theatres are emptiest on Monday.

So there we are. Advice from all kinds of all sorts.

My advice? Treat yourself to the little extras on Monday. Go to your best place. Walk the pleasant way home. Have something extra good for supper.

JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins



WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

Why should she dress like this...?

★ A FRENCHWOMAN dresses to please men. An American woman dresses to make other women jealous. An Englishwoman dresses — for what?

To discover why Englishwomen dress as they do, whether they are right, and how they can be improved, the Groom School consulted top-rank experts in London.

CLOTHES

FUSSY — that is the trouble

FIRST the Groom School consulted three London top dress designers who each trained in Paris and who now make clothes for English, French, and American women.

The three — Hardy Amies, John Cavanagh, and Charles Creed — give a summary of the debits and credits of the Englishwoman and her clothes.

NOT TWEEDS

ALL three agree that the average Englishwoman has a naturally good figure, taller than the average Frenchwoman, with broader shoulders to hang the clothes on.

ALL say that Frenchwomen generally have better taste because they are less fussy-minded and because they go to endless trouble to find the right accessories.

There is each man's advice on what the Englishwoman should wear — advice that goes beyond the eternal "tweeds or a suit."

Says Cavanagh: "Certainly not tough tweedy suits. I like her in more feminine, softer suits than the typically English man-tailored suit. She looks best of all in a dress and coat."

Says Hardy Amies: "The main mistake Englishwomen make is that they will not leave off nothing. They should wear soft shades of mauve and grey and beige and green."

BETTER CUT

Says Charles Creed: "My advice to the average woman is to spend less on a multitude of accessories and spend what you save on better cut for your suit, dress, or coat."

And after all that... what is the answer? Why does the Englishwoman dress in her own particular way? Study the girl with the flowers in the picture and listen to photographer John French.

"I have pictured a typical English girl in a typical English outfit," he says.

"Typical because it's well-tailored and warm. Typical because the accessories are solid and simple. Typical because when an English girl steps into her clothes, she knows them a new frame for her beauty — but adds nothing of the flavour of chic."

And that, says the Groom School, is the secret of good English dressing — elegant and practical, well bred and warm.



Picture by JOHN FRENCH

If you feel you must slim

DIET? There is absolutely nothing new to be said about it, said a famous dietician.

People have different theories about the right way to diet but they all amount to one thing — self-denial.

The pleasantest and simplest form of diet is to cut down on fats, sugars, and starches. But that means eating more meat (which is scarce), fish (which is boring),

eggs (still rare), and fruit (expensive).

Alternatively, for those who feel they need to slim, there are various diets ready worked out and offered free.

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And there is the TV diet, a much more drastic affair by which one woman of 131 (Mrs. Charlotte Black, who did her slimming on TV) lost 35 lb. in three months.

EXERCISES, many experts believe, are not worth the exertion. One pint of beer will put back all the weight you lose by running five miles.

But if you think you have the will power, most women's magazines offer exercise charts free.

FOUNDATIONS — A foundation garment can only mean — it cannot make a bad figure good.

It is a prevention — not a cure.

Above all, it fits today's fashion for neat hips under slim skirts; for a neat waist above a full skirt; or for a neat bust under a strapless evening dress.

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DANGER

"DANGER points in the feet, and the bangles," says Charles Creed, 50.

Think twice about the length of your gloves. (Wrist length only for long sleeves or no sleeves.)

Think twice before you buy pearls. (They should be very large or very real.)

Think twice before you buy sensible shoes and sensible hats. (Smart shoes are high-heeled and smart hats are queer.)

Think twice about each necessary. (You may not need it.)

in what he calls the Tango Line.

DIGBY MORTON'S is a buttons-and-bows collection. Buttons in a slanting line down the back of an evening dress; buttons on tabs that continue the line of suit pockets; buttons to trim the severity of the square necklines (for square necklines are the necklines of the season).

Bows are perched perkily at the neck of shirt blouses worn with classic suits. They appear in profusion on "Bow Tie" a grey-and-white afternoon dress and jacket.

They are seen, too, on the shoulders of brief — topped for cocktail.

Next — Colours. Navy blue and white returns to favour. But most popular colours are the range of beiges, tans, and browns.

Splashes of colour are mainly reserved for coat linings, cravats, and flattering

spring-time hats.

FIRST PRIZE for useful elegance goes to Digby Morton's Wait and See — a gun-metal dress with brief shoulder straps for dining out

...over which goes a bow-tied bolero for lunching out

...over which goes a jacket (well, why not?) for breakfast.

THE MOST STYLISH accessory of the season is the organza bon.

It is long, frilly, and serpentine, and worn round the neck and shoulders like a chamber's favourite snake.

Michael at Lachasse showed it on "cocktail" suits; Digby Morton showed it on a white satin evening dress.

"But it's so heavy," murmured one model as she escaped from the grip of the fashion editors into the changing room.

GROOM SCHOOL CHAPTER 3

SHOP SENSE

ENGLISHWOMEN buy their clothes in a lunatic way, says dress designer Neil Roger. "They don't think anything out."

"They buy a dress because it's pretty, a tweed coat because it's pretty, and a straw hat with a rose on it because it's pretty... Then they put them all together and go off to a garden party."

"It's possible to dress smartly on 4/6d. If you think things out and make a plan."

"Don't wear scarves tied over your head, or white plastic shoes with cotton dresses, or cardigans with summer dresses, or trousers to do the shopping."

So slow....

ENGLISHWOMEN are slow to take up new fashions, says the buyer of inexpensive dresses at a West End store.

"It takes four seasons for a new fashion to catch on. Women here still won't touch boat necklines or plunges."

"The dress they buy again and again is a shirt waist with full skirts and revers, necks... We have it in cotton, wool, sheer or silk."

"I think Englishwomen feel shy — and like to make a safe choice."

The Classic Line



THE DRESS is made in fine wool in black or navy and has the simple classic line of a very expensive model gown. The draped cash from the belt is lined with taffeta. Wear the dress unadorned for the daytime and flatter it with jewellery for cocktail parties.

Top News



By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

Mari Uses 112 Muscles In The Dance

By BEN COOK

HOLLYWOOD — Only a dance director would notice such a thing, of course.

Gene Loring, who is a dance director, says Mari Blanchard uses four more muscles than any other dancer when she is doing a routine.

Miss Blanchard, film star, puts her muscles to the extreme test in a savage dance which stands as one of the highlights of "Prince of Darkness," a Technicolor adventure drama — which — also presents that "hunk of man," Victor Mature.

Loring said Miss Blanchard uses a total of 112 muscles in the dance, including muscles in the eyebrows (this must be something new), cheekbones (this, too), ribs and solar plexus.

BELL COUNT

There was no guess work, either, to Loring's count.

"I was asked to add a bell to her costume at every point where a muscle would tinkle," he explained. "I ordered 100 bells, then had to have a dozen more made to complete the job."

She dances with the most graceful flow of fluid rhythm in Hollywood.

She knew what she was doing, though, because she was an able child dancer before her fancy-stepping career was halted by a polio attack at the age of nine. — United Press.

Choosing A Hairdo

By HELEN FOLLETT

NO matter what the trends in hairdos may be, there are certain basic rules that are always right. They play up good features, tone down those not so good.

Film stars understand that perfectly. Not all of them fall for the latest culture whimsy. There are several good reasons why these lovely should prefer the hair to fall flatteringly about the face and neck.

The camera flattens the face instead of sculpturing it, often exaggerating certain features, while effect can be softened by the hair. For instance, the line from the point of the chin to the ear is a difficult one for many women. A high moulded hairdresser would wave lines, curls at certain points, while soft, fluffy effects at the sides break the line.

There is a question as to how much concession one should make to current vogues, how much becomingness one should sacrifice for style. The smart hair stylist, of course, studying the features and the

profile, can combine becomingness and style every time. Some girls possess this know-how. The mistakes are usually made by older women who stick to the same old design and look older or adopt a too-youthful arrangement and look silly. One must use the mirror and the old head.

Every woman wants to look well turned out, carry the vibrant, spirited air that comes from keeping in step with the style pageant. More important than the frock a woman wears is the arrangement of her hair. We are pretty critical if it is stringy, if it is scrambled, or if it advertises the fact that the shampoo is long overdue.

If the forehead is extra high, bangs. If cheekbones are prominent and high, avoid billows of hair at the sides. If your nose is longer than you would have it, don't skin your hair straight back, front and sides, since that arrangement will make your nose appear even more prominent.

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Steel Flatware Has Gone Highbrow

New York.

Steel flatware, once a penny store bestseller, has gone highbrow.

It has moved up in price right alongside silverplate, and what's more, is selling at higher prices.

The designers and makers of the steel flatware claim knives, forks, spoons and other pieces are taking their place alongside silverplate, and even sterling, for two reasons.

One, the steel doesn't stain and needs none of the polishing of silver or silverplate; two, the combination of good design and hand workmanship makes the steelware as attractive as its competitors.

You still can find plenty of steel flatware at your penny store, but other types, especially

By GAY PAULEY

the ware imported from Europe, are featured at department stores and gift shops.

One importer, of Berkeley, Calif., said there will be more of the flatware coming to market because some of the top designers and craftsmen in Germany, Denmark and Italy are turning their skills to the designs of the flatware.

Housing Desires

The U.S. Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics started out to find the housing desires of the rural families, but it also came up with some interesting information on the housekeeping habits of farm women.

The Bureau, in co-operation with 84 state experiment stations, interviewed 4,000 homemakers in 42 states.

It found that most of them in the northeast, south and west serve meals to company at least

once a week. So, the women said their "ideal" home would have a separate dining room, plus eating space in the kitchen.

Nearly all the rural women surveyed do some baking at home. Over half make a cake or two pies each week, and a majority of southern homemakers bake biscuits or some type of quick bread each day.

More than 90 percent of the women surveyed preserve food for family use and wanted plenty of cooking space in their ideal kitchen.

At least 90 percent of the farm families said they did all or most of the family washing at home, so the women wanted a basement or workroom for this chore.

Three-fourths of the women also sew at home, and some of them would like a separate sewing room; others preferred using a bedroom for sewing.

Most of the women surveyed said their ideal house would be of one-story construction, with a basement and two porches. — United Press.



CANON G. R. Lindsay, who was Vicar of St Andrew's Church from 1919 to 1927, is revisiting the Colony. He took the morning service at the Church on the first Sunday after his arrival, and is seen above conversing with Mr and Mrs G. B. Labrum after the service. (F. V. Wong) Right: With the Rev. E. Hague, present Vicar, and parishioners at a tea party in the Church Hall. (Staff Photographer)

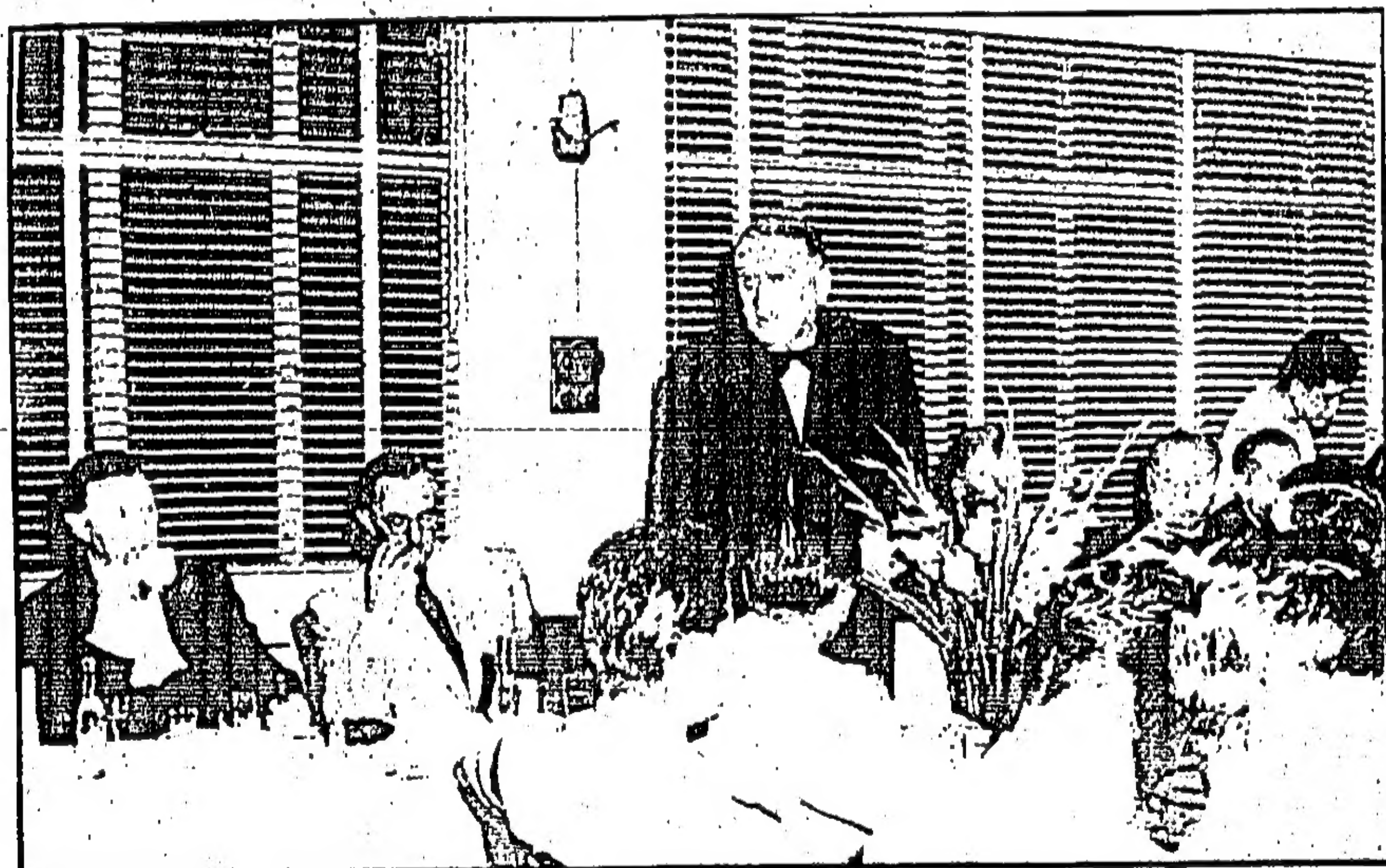


CAPTAIN E. G. Thomas, veteran China Coast skipper who has retired after 18 years with the China Navigation Co., Ltd., was fêted by his colleagues at a cocktail party last week before his departure for the United Kingdom. Here he is seen (third from right) replying to a toast. A farewell presentation was made by Mr J. A. Blackwood, Manager of Messrs Butterfield and Swire. (Staff Photographer)



LEFT: Mr Jean Willy Dubois and Miss Patricia Cockburn, whose wedding took place at St John's Cathedral last week. (Staff Photographer)

BELOW: The Hon. Sir Arthur Morse, President of the Hongkong Football Association, speaking at the dinner given in honour of the visiting Austrian soccer team of the Linzer Athletik Sports Klub. (Staff Photographer)



TWO pictures taken at the annual reunion dinner of the Wah Yan College Past Students' Association, held at the Peninsula Hotel last week. Top picture of the official table shows, from left, the Rev. Fr. R. W. Gallagher, Mr C. K. Cheung, President, Mr Lim Moy-lan, Rev. Fr. J. Carroll, Principal, Rev. Fr. E. Bourke and Dr Philip Chow. Party in bottom picture includes Mr and Mrs Alfred S. K. Lau and Mr and Mrs Henry Chan. (Staff Photographer)

LEFT: The St Stephen's College jubilee year graduation party at the Peninsula Hotel last week. (Mainland)

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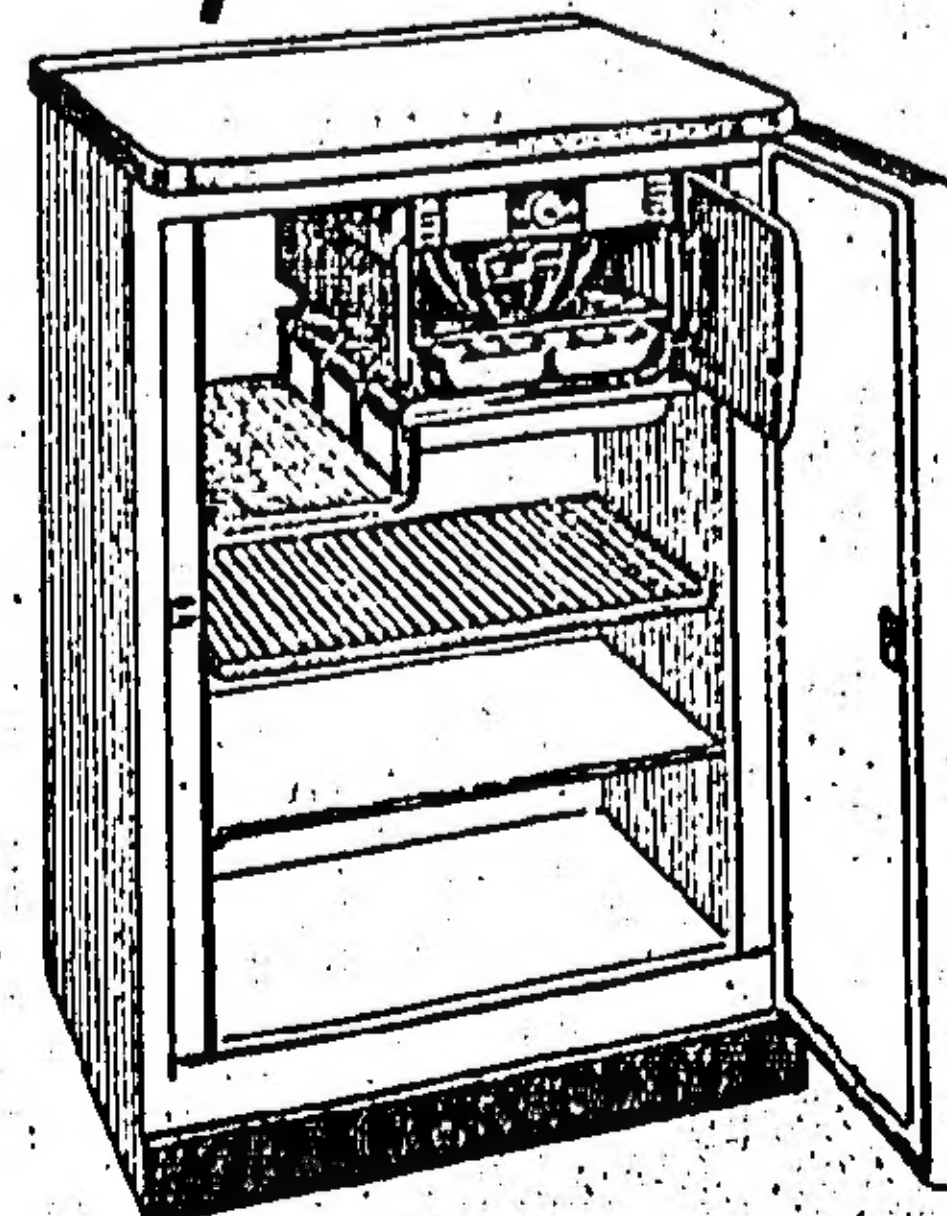
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GROUP photograph of the Warden and students resident at Lugard Hall, Hongkong University, on its 40th anniversary. Seated fourth and fifth from left are the Warden, Mr R. Oblitas, and Mr Eddy Khoo, Chairman of the hostel. (Ming Yuen)

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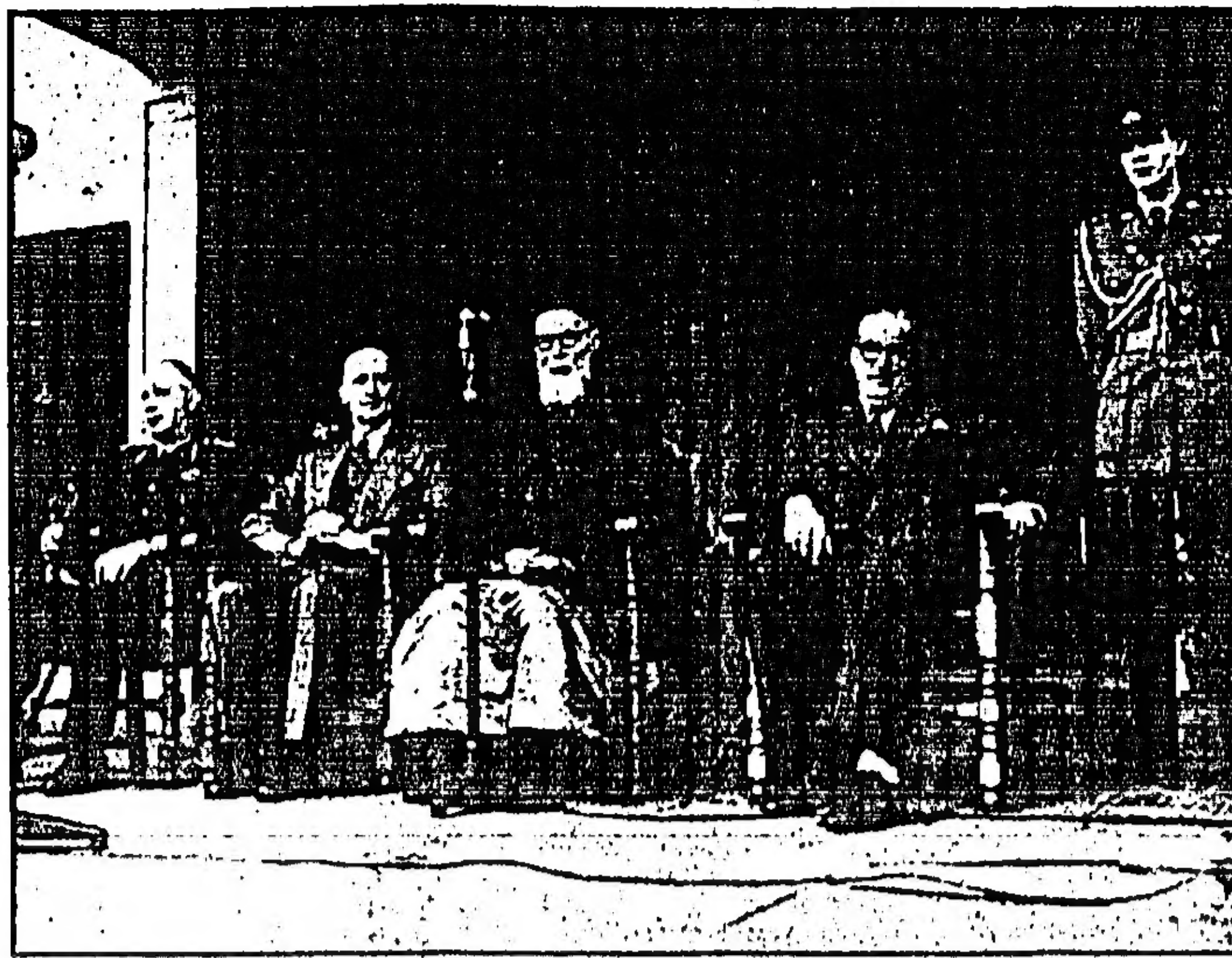
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PICTURE taken at a farewell dinner party to the Hon. Sir Arthur and Lady Morse given by Mr and Mrs L. P. Kwok. Standing (left to right), Mr A. Y. Kwok, Mr P. Gockchin, Sir Arthur Morse, Mr L. P. Kwok, Mr Wilkie Lum and Mr Lamson Kwok. Seated: Mrs Lamson Kwok, Mrs P. Gockchin, Lady Morse and Mrs L. P. Kwok. (Roy Tsang)



SIR Robert Ho Tung donated an ambulance to the St John Ambulance Brigade on the occasion of his 90th birthday. He is seen speaking before the microphone at the presentation ceremony at Government House. Others in picture are (from left) Mr D. W. Macintosh, Commissioner of the Brigade, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, Mr F. S. Coote, Chairman of the St John Council of Hongkong, and Mr A. J. Anderson, Honorary ADC to the Governor. (Staff Photographer)



THE ladies who look after the Portland Street Welfare Centre of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children. Left to right: Mrs Lois Yam, Mrs D. M. Holmes, Hon. Secretary, Mrs L. Lai, Matron, Mrs C. E. Terry, Treasurer, and Mrs S. T. Ho. Below: Scene at the Centre just before Chinese New Year when gifts of food and toys were distributed to poor mothers and children. (Staff Photographer)



AN old man receiving a ration of rice and a bundle of clothing at St Margaret's Church last week, when hundreds of poor people lined up to receive Chinese New Year gifts donated by members of the Church and their friends. (Staff Photographer)



MISS Jada Snow Wong, noted American-Chinese author (second from left), at the dinner party given in her honour by the Hongkong Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Bankers' Club. (Staff Photographer) Right: As guest of Dr Li Shu-fan at his Chinese New Year party. From left: Mr James Zeemin Lee, Mrs Y. K. Chow, Mrs Frillman, Mr Paul Frillman, Miss Jada Snow Wong, Dr Li Shu-fan, Miss Arron Lee Gaul, Mrs Li Shu-fan and Mrs Violet Chan. (Ming Yuen)

BELOW: A pleasant ceremony aboard the RMS Chusan on Thursday. Mrs W. T. Stanton (left), whose pony Meadowbrook won the P and O Cup at the annual race meeting, is seen receiving the trophy from Lady Morse. On the right is Mr J. D. Alexander. (Staff Photographer)



MR J. G. O'Donnell, District Traffic and Sales Manager of Pan-American World Airways (centre), was host at a Chinese dinner party on Wednesday to welcome Mr John E. Muhlfeld, the corporation's Sales and Traffic Manager (fourth from left), and Mr Herbert F. Milley (second from left), Traffic and Sales Manager of the Pacific-Alaska Division. (Staff Photographer)



BELOW: Chinese Club members assembled for their annual group photograph after their Chinese New Year Day cocktail party. (Ming Yuen)

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PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT

Housewives' Quiz

The following were some of the questions sent to Mrs. I. B. Allen, food expert, after her lecture on food to 800 housewives in America.

Q. Do you recommend that the meats which are bought at the meat market should be stored in the deep freezer?

A. In large quantities only, and if the meat is low priced. However, it is a shopping time-saver to buy meat for a week or two at a time and deep-freeze for that period.

Q. What quantity of meat does an adult need per day?

A. At least one generous serving, or its equivalent in fish, eggs, or whole-milk cheese.

Q. What is the value of pressure cooking outside of the time-saving element?

A. Pressure cooking retains full nutrients, including vitamins and minerals.

Q. Is cabbage hard to digest?

A. Not if it is shredded very fine, eaten raw or cooked only seven minutes.

The following dinner was voted the favourite at the lecture:

Dinner

Tomato Juice Chicken Fricassee on

Mashed Potatoes Ham Biscuit

Cheddar-Topped Salad Bowl

Chocolate Sundae or

Pumpkin Pie

Coffee Tea Milk

Chicken Fricassee on

Ham Biscuit

Cook a stewing hen in water

to cover, seasoned with 3 beef

bouillon cubes, a sliced onion, a

sliced carrot, 1 c. celery leaves

and 2 tsp. salt. When done, half-

cool. Remove the skin; cut the

meat from the bones. Strain the

broth and with it make 3 c. thick

gravy. Add the chicken meat; serve on split plain or ham baking

powder biscuits.

Ham Biscuit From The Chef

Add to the mixture for baking

powder biscuit after the short-

ening is chopped in, ½ c. fine-

minced cooked ham.

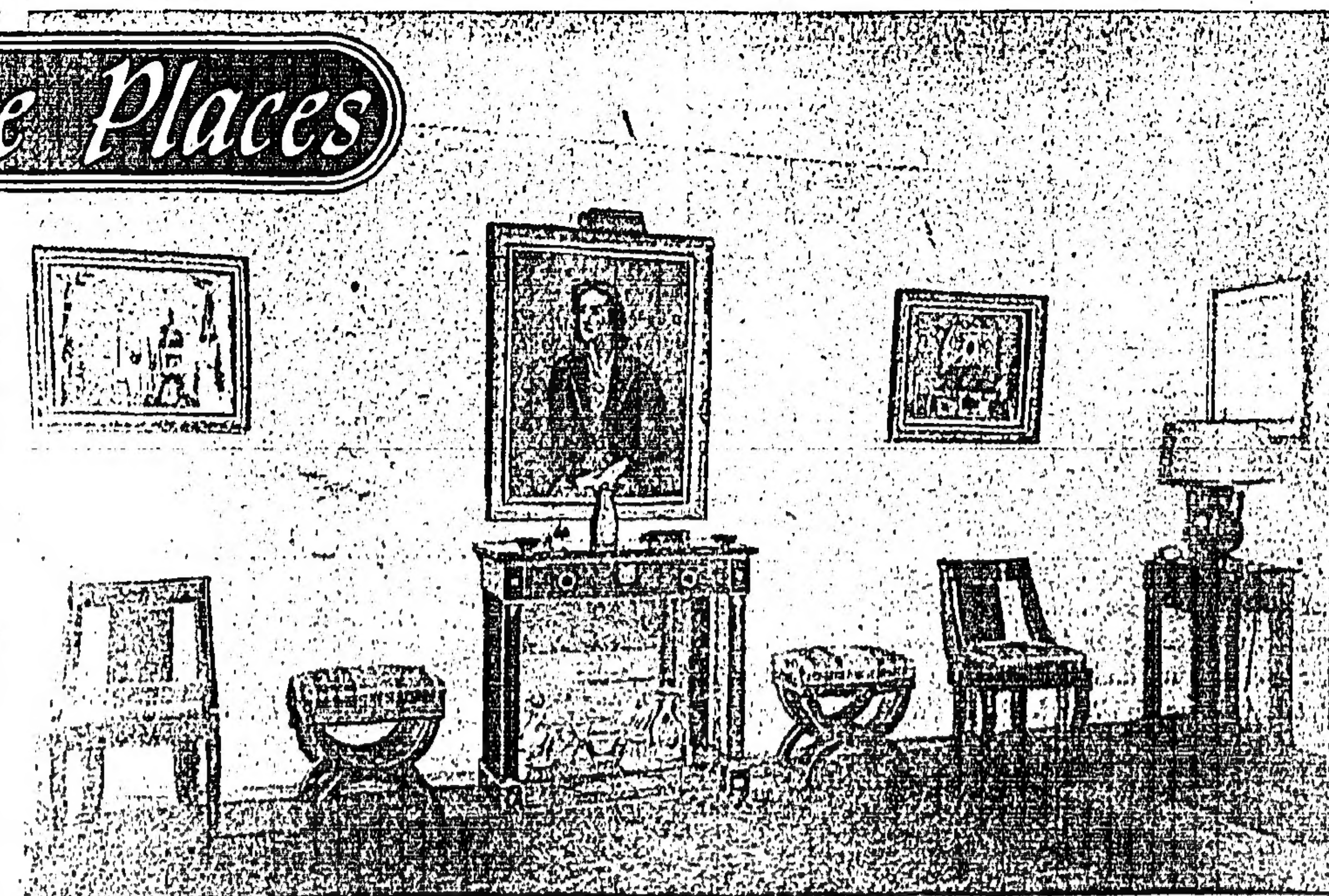
Picture Places

By JOAN O'SULLIVAN

MENTION art, and men-tally the average person takes five giant steps backwards. "I don't understand it," he mutters blankly, maybe adding defensively, "that long-haired stuff's not for me."

Well, Basil Petrov disagrees with 'em. And if anyone knows long-hair art, he's the man who does. As manager of the contemporary department of an internationally famous gallery on New York's 5th Street, he daily handles all the modern paintings that mystify the masses. Despite his status as a specialist, Mr. Petrov maintains that art's for everyone. He's full of suggestions for bringing art into the home as a decorative feature.

"You don't have to be an expert to enjoy art," he points out excitedly—it's a favourite argument, and one he warms to. "All you have to do is like a painting and, of course, you'll enjoy it."



upholstery rug and drapery colours in the room.

Another decorative suggestion that's carried out in the Petrov bedroom is the use of many-shaped frames. You can combine frames of all sizes and shapes for an arrangement. Mr. Petrov says, but of course the final result must have balance. Don't overlook the kitchen and the bath when it comes to paintings. Both these rooms are apt to get the short side of the decorating budget, and why should they? A bright painting will work wonders.

Needless to say, Mr. Petrov favours original paintings—that's his business—and he offers a good argument in their favour.

"One original painting—no matter how reasonable it is, no matter how little-known the artist is—will always be exclusively yours," he points out. "Because you like it, it has its own value and it will be a greens, reds and even the 'd' of the lips are picked up for

Mr. Petrov, who enjoys offering advice on decorating, says that many a good colour scheme has been keyed to a painting. In his living room, for example, a portrait of his wife by Thomas Stephens, an English artist who has also painted the Duke of Windsor, President Eisenhower and General MacArthur, sets the scheme. The greens, reds and even the 'd' of the lips are picked up for



BETTY, WIFE OF PETROV, ARRANGES a vase of tiger lilies on the kitchen serving cart. Their brilliant colours complement a gay French poster-painting.

ART CAN BE DECORATIVE, and this setting proves it. Petrov, of a famous New York gallery, has used paintings to give colour and interest to a bare wall. The centre painting, a portrait by Thomas Stephens, who has painted the Duke of Windsor and President Eisenhower, sets the green, gold and red scheme for the charming traditional room.

DO ALL GOOD MOTHERS GET TIRED OF TRYING?

By Dorothy Berry

ARE YOU tired of trying to be a good mother?

I think I am, sometimes. I long to walk out, leaving beds unmade, rooms undusted, the morning's dirty line round the bath, pans boiling over, the pudding in the oven turning black, the butcher hammering unheeded at the back door, and all the shopping undone.

No longing, though, for South Seas, or even Switzerland. I want to take a slow, dirty, clanking train to some lowly unknown and there creep into the gloom of a station hotel.

I see the dim vestibule, all tiles and brown paint, and the lounge with big brass pots with dried up plants.

In my imagination I crawl to the end of this quiet lounge. There I sit in a silence so deep that it lays a healing hand on my humming nerves.

Dialogue

NO one will ask me whether they should put on Wellingtons or shoes (and then argue over my verdict). No one will come to tell me how annoying someone else has been and how saintly has been their own behaviour by contrast.

No one will say "Oh, you know I don't like steak pie," or "It isn't fair," or "But all the other mothers let their children do it."

Before I had children I knew just how they should be brought up; and it seemed to me so obvious where all my friends were going wrong.

I think that all they need of me is that I should be consistently adult in my treatment of them, and allow them to be consistently childish.

It doesn't seem a lot to have learned in eleven years of motherhood.

But fashions in upbringing change with the years. Not long ago we were repressive. Babies were fed by rote, and left to cry in the wholesome fresh air.

Older children called parents by their Christian names, carved the furniture with pen-knives and swore like embittered navvies.

Now our babies are nestled and nursed, fed at their own demand, and—picked up—zealously at the first wail.

I have been buffeted back and forth in this ever-changing "expert" opinion.

Funny side

DESPITE all this my children do not make scenes in public or knock down old ladies in bus queues. They can entertain themselves and are obedient if given a little time.

They are kind and affectionate, do not show-off, and see the funny side of life unfailingly.

On the other hand, they expect to be fed, clothed, and cared for, while they grumble incessantly.

They quarrel. They expect me to be on hand to listen to them when they feel expansive and to fade away unobtrusively when they do not.

Over food they are fussier than pampered old men, for they have never been made to eat anything—it has been carried away without fuss, in obedience to all the doctors, nurses, and welfare clinics.

They laughed

I CALLED the children to me and gave them a crisp little talk about standing on their own feet; and about my being a person in my own right, with moods and dislikes of my own. Did they go off silent, and thoughtfully? Gracious, no. They burst into delighted laughter and roared off merrily.

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A SINGLE PICTURE decorates the sofa wall. The Petrovs produced a decorative effect by using tall lamps and masks on either side of it.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Gathered pockets in a little girl's dress will puff up nicely after laundering. If you stuff them with clean tissue paper while ironing.

In selecting lampshades, remember that those lined with white or off-white give two or three times as much light as a shade which is lined with a dark colour. Should a dark shade be more harmonious with your decor, see that it is lined with white if it is to be used over a reading light.

To remove lipstick stains from your good linen napkins, rub with lard, then wash in hot soapuds. (Do not use soap first, as it may set the stain.) If stain is still visible, bleach with one part hydrogen peroxide (use a three percent solution) to 20 parts water. Rinse well.

If you cannot remove a tight ring from your finger, try holding your hand in ice cold soap suds for a moment, and usually the ring will slip off easily.

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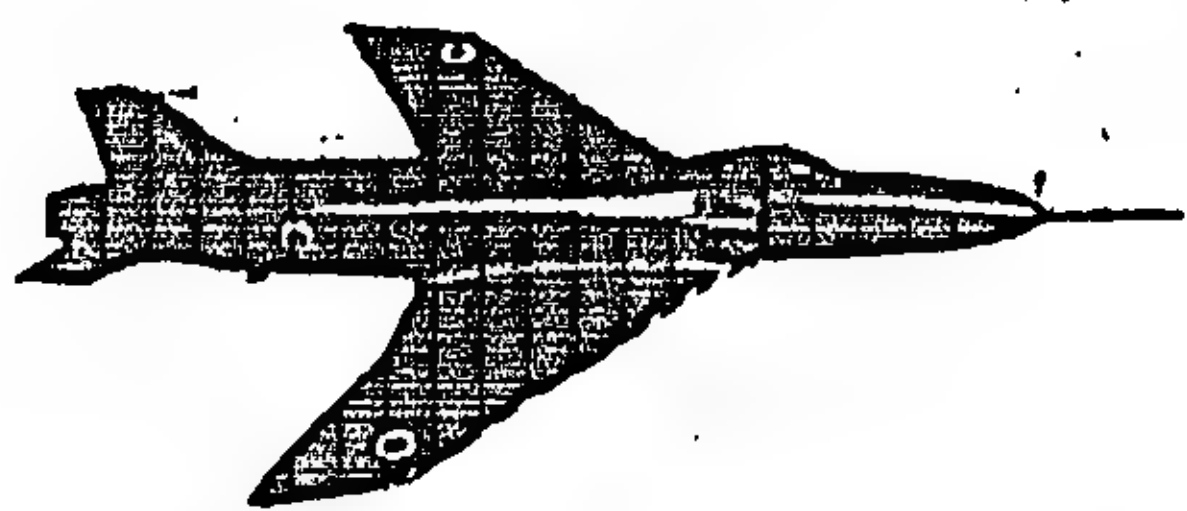
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Cunningham . . . Duke . . . Falk . . . they
go to high battle with the unknown
—usually dressed in a lounge suit

THE PIN-STRIPE PIONEERS

AFTER a time a test pilot gets to be an instinctive type. Which is as well. He needs all the technical knowledge he can get into his poor head, of course, but nine times out of ten it will be instinct, if anything, that saves his life.

What it comes down to is just a feel for aeroplanes. Sometimes, somehow, you know, almost the moment you ease her off the ground the first time up, that a new one will never give you any trouble.

That is a rare feeling, however. Aeroplanes which are pretty well perfect straight off the drawing board and out of the shops come along about as often as a case of Scotch.

Of the 54 prototypes I have tested, I can remember only three that felt perfect on the first flight.

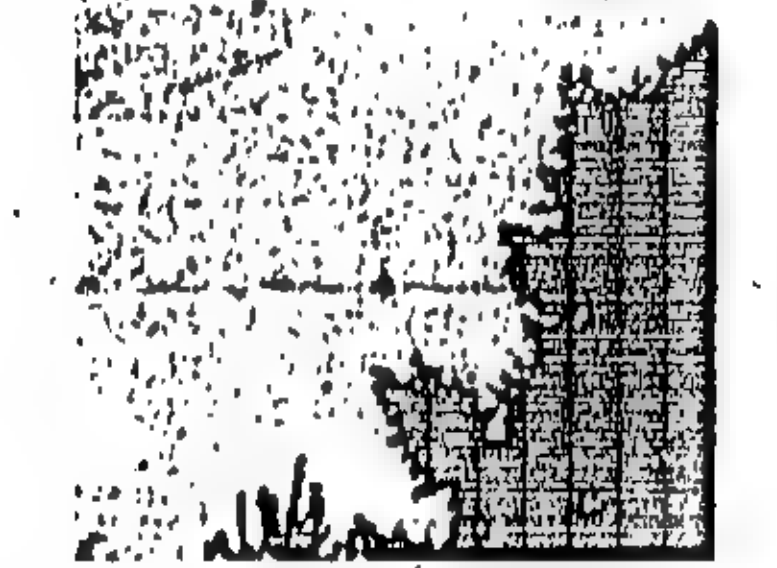
The Spitfire was one. The Viscount prop jet airliner, which nobody wanted then and all the world is buying today, was another. And the Valiant, our still-secret super-bomber and the last prototype job I did, was the third.

The Spit needed one minor adjustment; the other two didn't need touching before I took them up a second time.

A BAD TIME

I REMEMBER very well one aeroplane I distrusted intensely from the first moment. She turned out to be the only one I ever abandoned upstairs.

Really, it was the other way: she chuckled me, and gave me a pretty bad time as well. The M.130 was an experimental naval torpedo recce plane we



He bled out only once—and this is him doing it.

were building before the war. I never liked her. I kept on telling the designer the tail was too big.

Well, I was diving her hard one day at about 280 miles an hour when it came off. The whole tail, John Radcliffe was with me—a wonderful technical bloke who was killed later during testing on a Bristol Wayfarer.

Feeling as I did about the M.130 I fastened only my bottom belt when I flew her, and held myself in with my spare hand on the edge of the open cockpit.

Everything happened so quickly I never knew quite the order of things. There was a colossal noise, the plane bunted, and threw me out.

I hit my head a terrific crack on the wing—whether the wings had come off then or came off after I never found out and don't much care—and then I was floating down, very graceful, semi-conscious, scarcely aware of the bits of wreckage dropping around and puncturing my broil.

That job cost me a broken ankle, a broken leg, and bad concussion. When I came round I was still holding the parachute cord tight. They tell me that nearly everyone who bled out and loses consciousness clings on to that bit of cord like life, until he wakes up.

NIGHTMARES

THAT was my lucky day. When a plane disintegrates like that one, the only thing you know about is noise, a terrifying, screaming noise bursting your eardrums and waking you up in nightmare for weeks afterwards. And the only thing that can help you is luck—though even luck is a doubtful factor these days, when a pilot may be flying at the speed of sound.

I doubt if John Derry knew anything about it at all when his plane disintegrated at Farnborough last year.

Derry was one of those men you remember. It is a temptation to try picking out the best test pilots of the last 20 years, but impossible. If a test pilot really is any good, then he is very good indeed, and that is all there is to it. But some make a special kind of mark.

Derry used to work for me at Vickers before he joined de Havilland. He started his career as an air gunner in the R.A.F., changed over to piloting fighters, and went through the R.A.F. test pilots' school. He was a quiet chap, immensely thorough. He wrote his own footnote to history. In 1949—September, 6—

Chapter 3 of HELL'S ANGEL by MUTT SUMMERS as told to Derek Monney

when he became the first British pilot to break through the sound barrier. The plane he used on that trip was the de Havilland 108, the same tailless job which killed another brilliant man, Geoffrey de Havilland.

Derry went up to the barrier with all the care and caution in the world. He was no fool: he was far too good a pilot to take an uncalculated or unnecessary risk. When he was killed, his chief, John Cunningham, said he had lost one of the finest pilots he had ever known. "Cat's Eyes" Cunningham is a good enough judge of that.

The night-fighter ace—with three D.S.O.s and a couple of D.F.C.s is one of those men who try their first take off while they are still in their pyjamas.

Cunningham knew what he wanted from the start. He took most of his education at de Havilland's technical school, went all through the shops, and then, as war came, joined the R.A.F.

I remember his coming over to Vickers in those days to collect a new night-fighter plane. It was fitted with radar, bristling all over with cannon and machine guns and new gadgets of all kinds, and John couldn't let it alone. He was out with it every minute he could get, mad keen to know it inside out and get it fighting.

The war delayed his testing; fighting got in the way. But he has done some since. He did the prototype jobs on the D.H.110, the super-fighter which killed Derry, and the Comet, the fastest airliner in the world. Isn't a bad record!

WING WENT

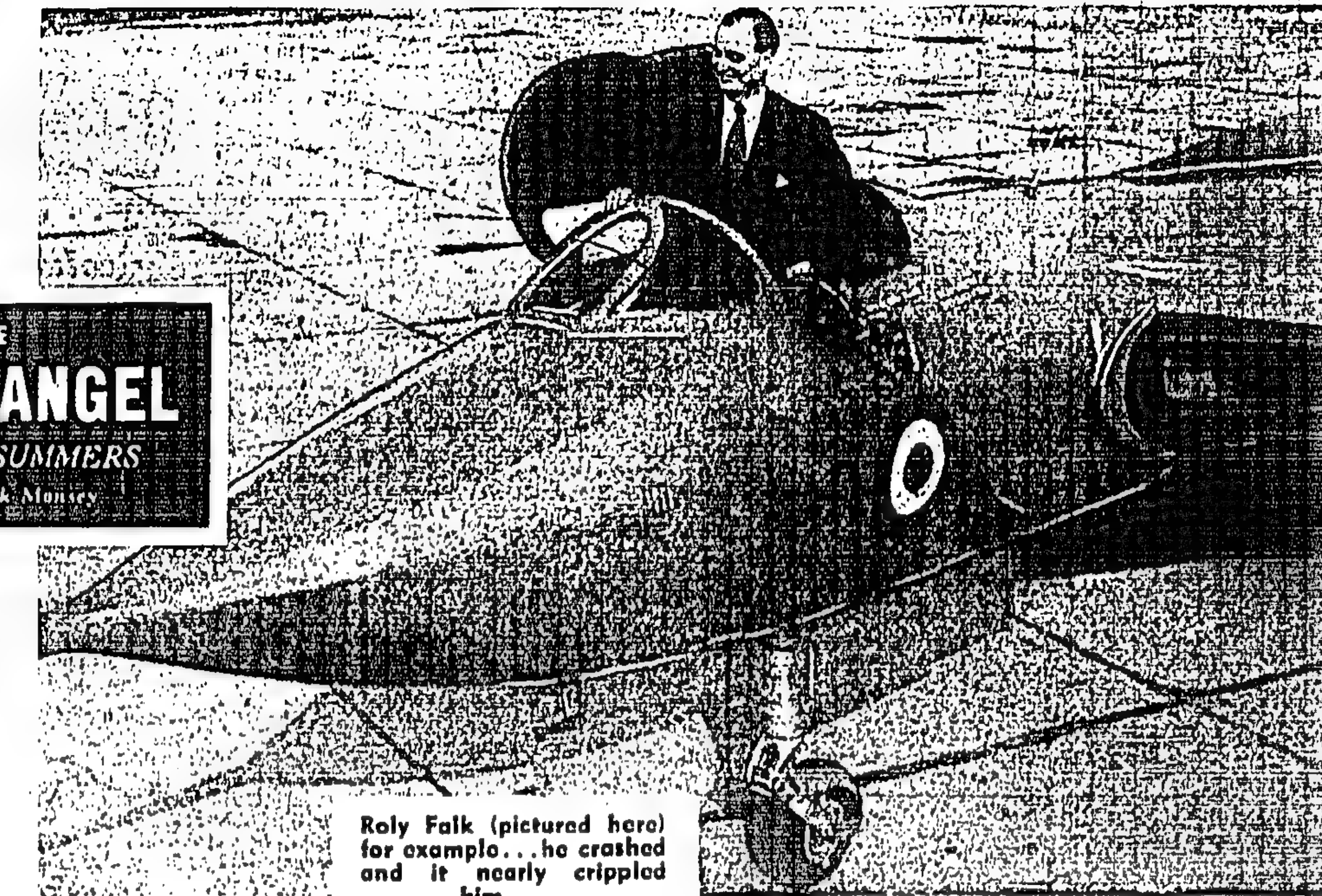
I SHALL never forget Les Colquhoun and Roland Falk. Les worked for me at Vickers, doing most of his flying at the Supermarine works down at Southampton. Well, one day he was testing a plane, the naval Attacker, which had wing-tips that folded for easy storing below decks of an aircraft carrier. It was a powerful type, a jet.

When he was diving her pretty fast when one of the wing-tips folded up on him. Very neat, but unasked for: not the right place for it.

There is only one thing for a pilot to do when a wing goes bad on his upstair. Bale out, quick. Les Colquhoun didn't.

Quite calmly, he brought the thing down and landed it. I don't know how he made it, and I should be surprised if even he could explain just what he did to bring it off. He had no lateral control of the machine at all. He rocketed her on to the ground at about 180 to 200 miles an hour, burst his tyres, and pulled up with feet to spare.

I insisted he be sent up for a George Medal. Authority said no; test pilots did not get G.M.s. I said they did—or one did. During the war Phil Lucas was given one for quietly bringing his aeroplane home after the



Roly Falk (pictured here) for example—he crashed and it nearly crippled him . . .

rivals had started dropping out of his fuselage.

So Colquhoun got his medal, and considering the courage and skill of the man, and the number of lives he most likely saved through getting that machine down where the fault could be discovered, I think he deserved it.

THROWN CLEAR

"ROLY" FALK is one of the characters in test flying. He was the chief test pilot at the Royal Air Force Establishment at Farnborough, and during the war became our chief authority on German planes.

Like most of us, he prefers flying in a good suit to overalls. And Roly prefers a pin-stripe. He can fly anything after looking at it a couple of minutes. He was flown down to the South of France once, with a fighter escort, to punch a four-engined German job a Comet, which our people wanted to look at.

After he joined us at Vickers a few years ago he had a bad smash. He was bringing a Wellington in to land one day when something went wrong. She stalled, and burrowed into a house.

I rushed across the field in the ambulance, but the Wimpy was one burning mess by the time we got there, and we concentrated on getting the people out of the house.

No one was hurt, but we bundled a couple into the ambulance to be looked at by the doctor.

The driver and I were just getting in when, from the middle of a hedge, came Roly's voice, rather peculiar, saying, "What about me?"

FASTENED ON

He had been thrown clear. In the ambulance we saw that one foot was almost torn off. Roly said very quietly, "If it's got to come off, Mutt, I'd like to know."

"I don't mind, but please tell the doc not to whip it off without telling me." By a miracle we got hold of the only surgeon in the country who could fasten it on again for him, and he did. Today he is walking about without even a limp. He was flying the Avro delta Vulcan at Farnborough this year, throwing

the thing around with incredible skill at nought feet, giving a cracking good display.

There are others—many of them.

There is Neville Duke, modest and unassuming, who banged his salute to Derry immediately after he was killed. A Spitfire man, Duke—D.S.O., three D.F.C.s—a brilliant, brave pilot.

Then there is George Bulman, chief test pilot for Hawker's from 1925 to 1945. He was a natural pilot; he could fly anything you gave him, anyhow, any way up, and he did. But only if he was wearing his own trilby hat. Don't know why. I suppose it was comfortable.

"BRUN" FURVIS is another. "Brun" because of his gruffly voice—is the chief civil test pilot at Boscombe. He did a speed test on the Spit once. He had got her up to 420 miles an hour on the flat when his engine failed. He just put her wheels down and brought her back as neatly as any landing I've ever seen. Not a scratch.

It is a life with plenty of excitement. It is lived by some of the finest men anyone could hope to find. It is also a job with a terribly high death rate.

ONLY A MOMENT

DURING the four years after the war, out of 91 test pilots employed by leading British aircraft manufacturers 23 were killed.

None of those men were mad fools, wanting to be dangerous and take risks. They were first-class test pilots, which if it means anything, means they were greatly experienced, thoroughly reliable, and very careful fliers.

Of course, designers and manufacturers are always improving in technical knowledge, but I am not at all sure they can keep up with themselves.

By that I mean they can design and build a plane to go through the sound barrier—they did it years ago—but even today still no one knows exactly what supersonic speeds can do to a machine or the man who flies it.

There is another factor. Flying at three or even four hundred miles an hour, if something goes wrong a pilot has a moment, with luck, to think or at least give his instinct a chance, and do something.

Flying now at six, seven, or eight hundred miles an hour, there is no time left for anything but the most wonderful luck even if the stress on a plane at those speeds does not immediately magnify a minor flaw into complete disintegration.

You have, to be a test pilot, to fall in love with the job. You can earn nearly as good money flying for the air corporations or the R.A.F. And there you are much safer. The planes have been tested for you.

More, you get a pension at a reasonable age.

There are still a number of manufacturers who are willing to pay an experimental test pilot less than a thousand a year, insure him for no more than four or five thousand, and tell him he can have a pension—at 65. It sounds a bit off, but there it is.

IT SAYS SOMETHING FOR THE MEN, AND FOR THE JOB, THAT THERE ARE NEVER ANY VACANCIES. IT SAYS SOMETHING, BUT I DON'T KNOW QUITE WHAT.

NEXT SATURDAY After the sound barrier... What?

River incident★

ROLEX OWNERS can be found in all parts of the world, and Rolex watches are often subjected to test in some exotic places. A letter from a customer once took us, for instance, to Sukkur, in Pakistan, where the all-time long Barage spans the River Indus. This particular customer was standing on the Barage when he had the misfortune to drop his watch over the parapet.

It fell twenty-seven feet, and disappeared with a twinkle into twenty-three feet of water.

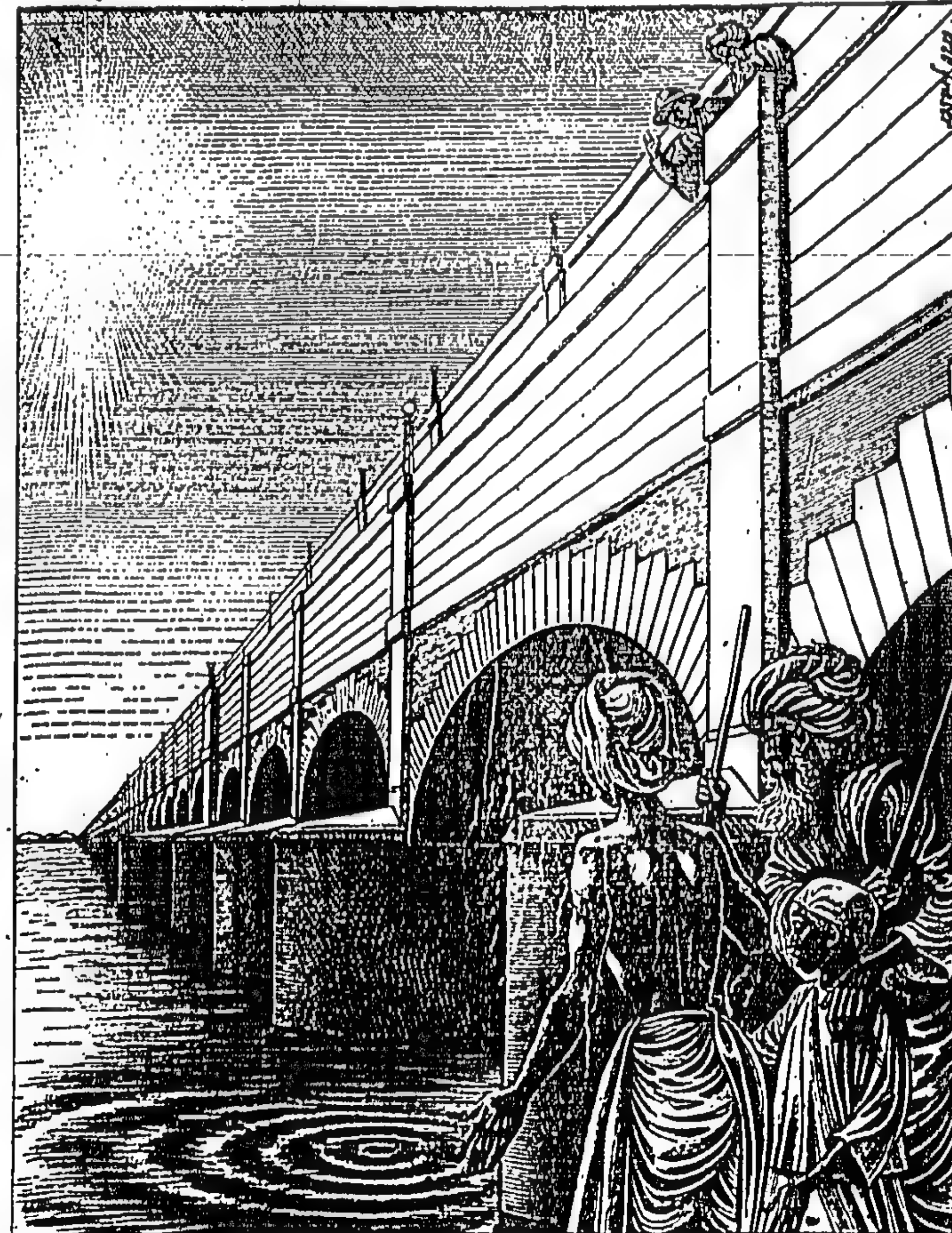
The Barage divers volunteered to search; it took them two hours of rooting about in thick mud before they brought to the surface the little mud-encrusted object that was the missing Oyster.

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*This is a true story, taken from a letter written by the customer in question (Mr. H. W. Odell-Taylor of London, W.11) to the Rolex Watch Company Limited. The original letter may be inspected at the offices of the Rolex Watch Company, 14 rue du Marche, Geneva, Switzerland.



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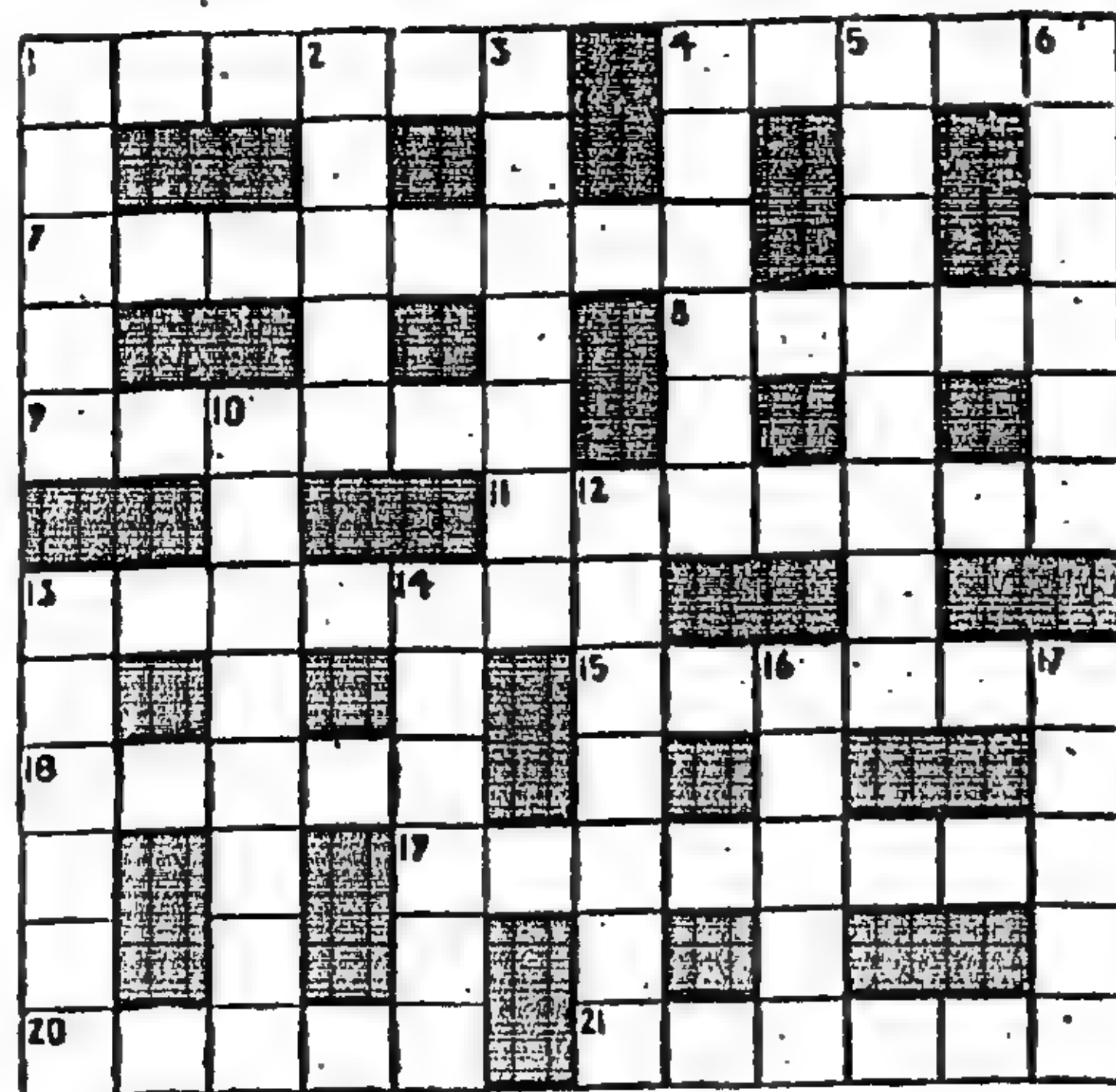
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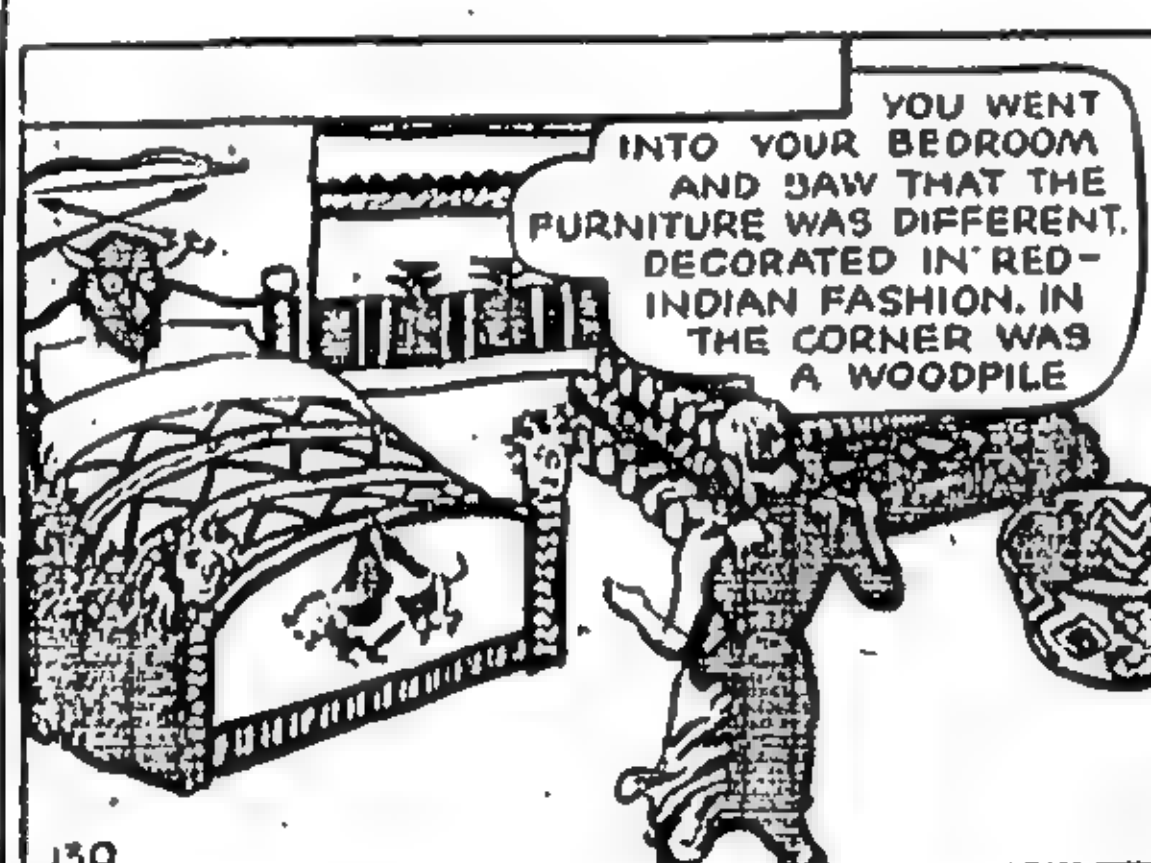
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A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
1. Wise man.
 2. Banquet.
 3. Give up the throne.
 4. Damp.
 5. Bound gaily.
 6. Sluggish.
 7. Inflated language.
 8. Special aptitude.
 9. Knowledge.
 10. Fearful.
 11. Scolded.
 12. Menace.
- DOWN
1. Rascal.
 2. Foreigner.
 3. Journey.
 4. Enemy.
 5. Posture.
 6. Inclined.
 7. Munitions of war.
 8. Lure.
 9. Aerimontous.
 10. Confused.
 11. Vessel.
 12. Taut.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Harp, 4 Essener, 8 Rant, 9 Dodo, 10 Arsenal, 11 Face, 12 Tasting, 17 Adorn, 18 Drass, 22 Tactless, 23 Unit, 27 Gaze, 28 Careful, 29 Gist, 30 Rove, 31 Chasten, 32 Dare. Down: 2 Adored, 3 Proper, 4 Ennet, 5 Stream, 6 Eject, 7 Chain, 12 Fast, 13 Tape, 15 Icon, 16 Gist, 13 Figure, 20 Rugged, 21 Sinner, 23 Reach, 24 Leeks, 25 Salon.



—THIS DREAM MEANS:
The bedroom symbolizes intimate personal life. The wild Red Indian atmosphere and woodpile asking to be fired represent primitive subliminal instincts in this case, probably sexual. The going into the bedroom, its primitive atmosphere, the preparation for a fire, your un-



dreaming, all seem to symbolize the sexual urge. The rest of the dream seems to represent a fear of sex attack. This "ambivalent" (accent on the "biv") attitude, i.e., fear of sex on the one hand and fascination on the other, is commoner in women than in men; the attempt to suppress the thought commonly results in dreams of anxiety or fear.

Goodbye to Claire...

THE UNBLUSHING DAUGHTER OF VENUS TURNS OUT TO BE THE PARSON'S WIFE

VOYAGE TO WINDWARD: the life of R.L.S. By J. C. Furnas. Faber and Faber. 25s. 478 pages.

YOU can say goodbye to "Claire."

Through succeeding biographies of Robert Louis Stevenson she flitted, a tantalising phantom — the unhallowed but inspiring love of the writer's youth.

As book followed book "Claire" became more of a woman and less of a wraith, a blacksmith's daughter (blonde), an Edinburgh street-walker (brunette), until at last, in J. A. Stewart's biography, she came into the full blaze of daylight as Kate Drummond, a Highland lass and "unblushing daughter of Venus" (as Mr Stewart put it).

"She has been described to me by one who saw her as slim and dark, very trim and neat, with jet-black hair and complexion that needed no cosmetics. Stevenson was scarcely 20 at the time of their meeting. The result was a love romance as passionate perhaps as anything in the annals of literature," etc., etc.

But you can say goodbye to "Claire." For the brutal Mr Furnas has blown her out of existence, jet-black hair and all. "Claire," it turns out, was

simply a name given by Stevenson to his friend Mrs Sitwell, wife of an Anglican clergyman, with whom he carried on a high-toned literary correspondence.

True enough, there was a moment when Stevenson audaciously proposed that his relationship with Mrs Sitwell should descend abruptly from the plane of literature.

"The lady warmly and ably convinced him that it could never be." She had other proteges; she was entitled to a monopoly. "Her immaterial favours were a sort of public trust, with herself as trustee."

Louis left, muttering apologies for his presumption; very soon, he was sending her "a son's kiss" by post.

After death, Stevenson "suffered the indignity of being pilloried in stained glass." The "Claire" legend is the product of those who found the canonised R. L. S. too pretty to be true. About the real Stevenson there was certainly nothing insipid. He had physical courage, some executive ability and an exceptional hot temper easily passing to violence.

He had a temperamental dislike of the English, but as a Frenchman who criticised them, he admired General Gordon, keeping as a relic the cigarette paper on which he wrote his farewell message; and opposed the Boer War.

His views on politicians were strong rather than charitable: "Parnell is an attorney, Randolph Churchill a journalist, Chamberlain a swindler, and Gladstone a man of fog evasions and a general delinquency of the spine."

He was a strong-minded, strong-passioned man who suffered 20 years from tuberculosis and died of overwork. He had a desire to be over-just and was thought to lack a healthy hatred of scoundrels. He considered that only one of the Seven Deadly Sins really was a sin. Sixty was acquainted with the interior of Edinburgh bordellos (to say nothing of pawnshops and shebeens), and on friendly, quite unscrupulous, terms with their inmates.

He quarrelled with his father over religion, morals, etc.; founded a society in an Edinburgh public-house to "disregard everything our parents have taught us" and abolish the House of Lords.

Yet he kept, through life, pride and affection for his father, Thomas, a charming, immensely popular man who was an elder of the kirk and an inventor of intricate optical apparatus.

When Louis ran off from London to marry his American mistress, Fanny Osbourne, in San Francisco, he took with him in his scanty luggage the book his father had written on Christian evidence. When the marriage took place he handed this volume (with 1s. 6d. in the official Presbyterian minister.

"Marriage," said Stevenson, "is a sort of friendship recognised by the police. His own marriage, to a woman older than himself and of a managing disposition, was a success. So, after years of financial dependence on his father, was his career as an author. By the time his quest for health had driven him to the South Pacific he was making £5,000 a year. At the time of his death in Samoa (aged 44) he was writing better than he had ever done."

Mr Furnas, his new American biographer, writes sometimes facetiously, sometimes clumsily. But he is a discerning partisan of Stevenson; he is very industrious, with a keen eye for enticing detail. His book is a readable, plausible, down-to-earth account of a hard-working man who cultivated his talent until it bloomed like genius.

★ **THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA.** By Ernest Hemingway. Capa. 7s. 6d. 127 pages.

Hemingway's old soldiers make love in gondolas to young women; boast endlessly; drink too much. Hemingway's old fishermen fight with great fish from small boats, say little, boast not at all, hardly eat. You can have his old soldiers. But the old fishermen in this very long short story (very short novel?) — that is something else again. Hemingway brings to the old man's tragic fishing trip all his

real, deep, intuitive understanding of simple men who face primitive, ill-rewarded tasks.

The old fisherman; luck has been out for years. His strength is waning away; now he catches a truly gigantic fish, but catches it too far from shore. Before he gets back the sharks have picked the dead fish clean. And the old man, hurt in the battle with fish and shark, will never go to sea again.

★ **THE FRONTIERS.** By John Strachey. Gollancz, 10s. 6d., 220 pages.

A NOVEL of ideas thinly disguised as a novel of adventure. Written during the war, about a war-situation, it makes a half-hearted pretence of telling the story of a young English pilot's escape from occupied France. But Strachey, more adept at inventing a story than at conducting a clash of ideas.

"We live in one of those times in which public life is our own life." This is the germ-idea of the book. The most vital scene is an argument between Nordens, a French collaborator (Laval), and a character called the Abbe, although not a priest.

Gordemore tries to tempt the Abbe into collaboration with the German foe; it is one's duty to forward his historical process, i.e. Hitler's New Order Against this Marxist conception, cynical and cock-sure, the Abbe opposes the older notion of moral values and a moral instinct.

★ **GODDESS ISLAND.** By Georges Blond. Socker and Warburg. 12s. 6d. 256 pages.

On a barren island between Siberia and Alaska the fur-bearing seals of the Pacific assemble every summer to fight and mate. Blond's grim and graphic novel tells of Shayffrin, the Russian explorer who first (1771) stumbled on this secret of the seals. He was like discovering a new goldmine.

★ **SNAPSHOT GUILD**

Indoor Pictures by Photoflash

THE winter is the season when camera-users turn much of their attention to the taking of indoor pictures. So much more time is spent indoors because of the weather and the shorter daylight hours. Besides, there are many big holidays throughout the winter months, when families and friends gather to celebrate. Pictures should record the occasion.

One of the most popular methods of taking indoor pictures is by means of photoflash. If you haven't as yet used a flash lamp, you certainly have seen others use them. They are small bulbs that provide a single flash of intense illumination. With them you can take pictures around the house almost as easily as you can take them out in the yard in bright sunlight.

There are actually two ways of using photoflash indoors. One way is called the "open-flash" method, and it can be used with any camera that is equipped to take time exposures. In this case, the bulb is flashed by a simple flashing unit, at an instant when the shutter is open for a time exposure. It works in this way. The camera is first set on "T" or "B." The shutter is opened, the bulb is flashed, and then immediately after the flash the shutter is closed again. It is best, of course, to use a tripod or place the camera on a solid table during the exposure.

★ **Synchronised Flash**
Most of the newer cameras are equipped to use what is called synchronised flash. In this method, both the shutter and the bulb work simultaneously, which means that actual "snap-shot" exposures can be made. The camera can be held right in the hand, and you can take pictures as easily as in the front yard.

Exposure is not difficult to determine. With the adjustable-type camera, you can work at various distances by changing your lens opening. The easiest way of determining exposure is to use one of those pocket exposure guides, designed especially for flash.

If you want to be able to take indoor pictures without fuss and confusion, get acquainted with the photoflash method. It's easy and, incidentally, it works as well with colour film as it does with black and white.

— John van Guilder.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

So Its Winter Sports

BY HARRY WEINERT



"HUMPH—TOMORROW YOU WILL BE BACK IN THE FLIMSY WHIMSIES. IT'S A WONDER YOU DON'T CATCH YOUR DEATH O' COLD!"

WINTER SPORTS HAVE BROUGHT BACK THE OLD RED FLANNELS



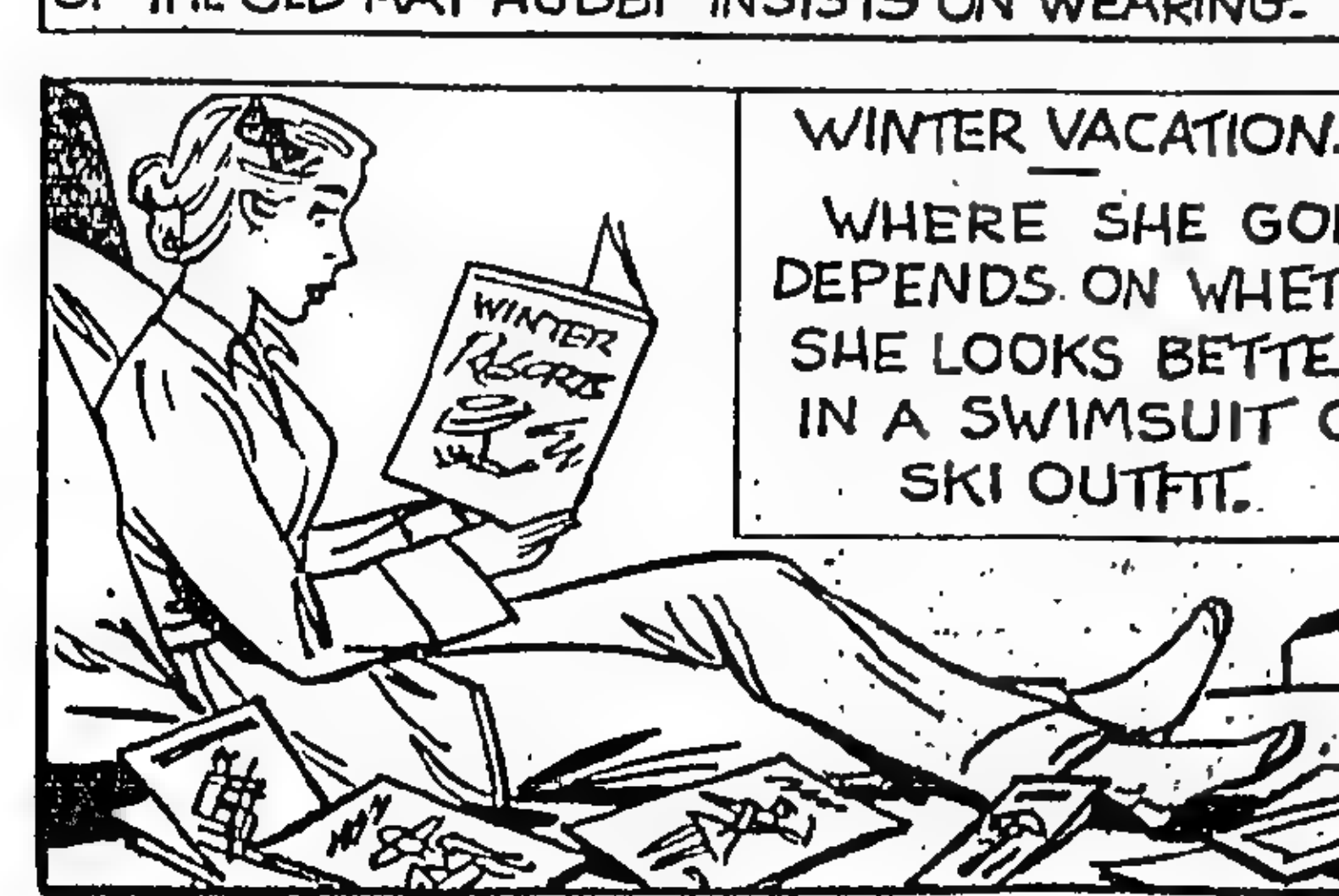
"HERE YOU ARE, CHILDREN."

AT LAST—AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET RID OF THE OLD HAT HUBBY INSISTS ON WEARING.



"IS THIS THE WAY YOU MEAN, DAD?"

ALL SET TO MAKE A THREE-POINT LANDING AFTER OFFERING TO SHOW HIS DAUGHTER HOW TO DO A FIGURE EIGHT



WINTER VACATION. WHERE SHE GOES DEPENDS ON WHETHER SHE LOOKS BETTER IN A SWIMSUIT OR SKI OUTFIT.



THERE ARE NO HIGH SILK HATS—BUT THE AIM IS AS GOOD AS EVER.



"THIS ROUND ROBIN SHOULD BE FINISHED BY APRIL."

"YEP, THE WEATHER OUGHT'A BE DERN NICE BY THEN."

THE OLD TIMERS HAVE THE RIGHT IDEA.



"SPLENDID EXERCISE, ISN'T IT?"

THIS IS KNOWN AS A SPECTATOR SPORT



"I WISH WE HAD SOME ICE."

READING THE NEWS FROM HOME IS A PLEASANT WINTER SPORT—

TWO SOFTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP MAY BE DECIDED THIS WEEK-END

By "KEYSTONE"

With League play in all four Divisions swinging into the last crucial lap, three vital games are down for decision this week-end, with two Division Championship titles at stake.

This afternoon the highly-favoured Dodgers play the much-improved Chinese Athletics in the Minor loop. This is the last game fixture for Black Magic Dodgers, and a win would clinch for them the Junior Division Pennant.

SNOOKER

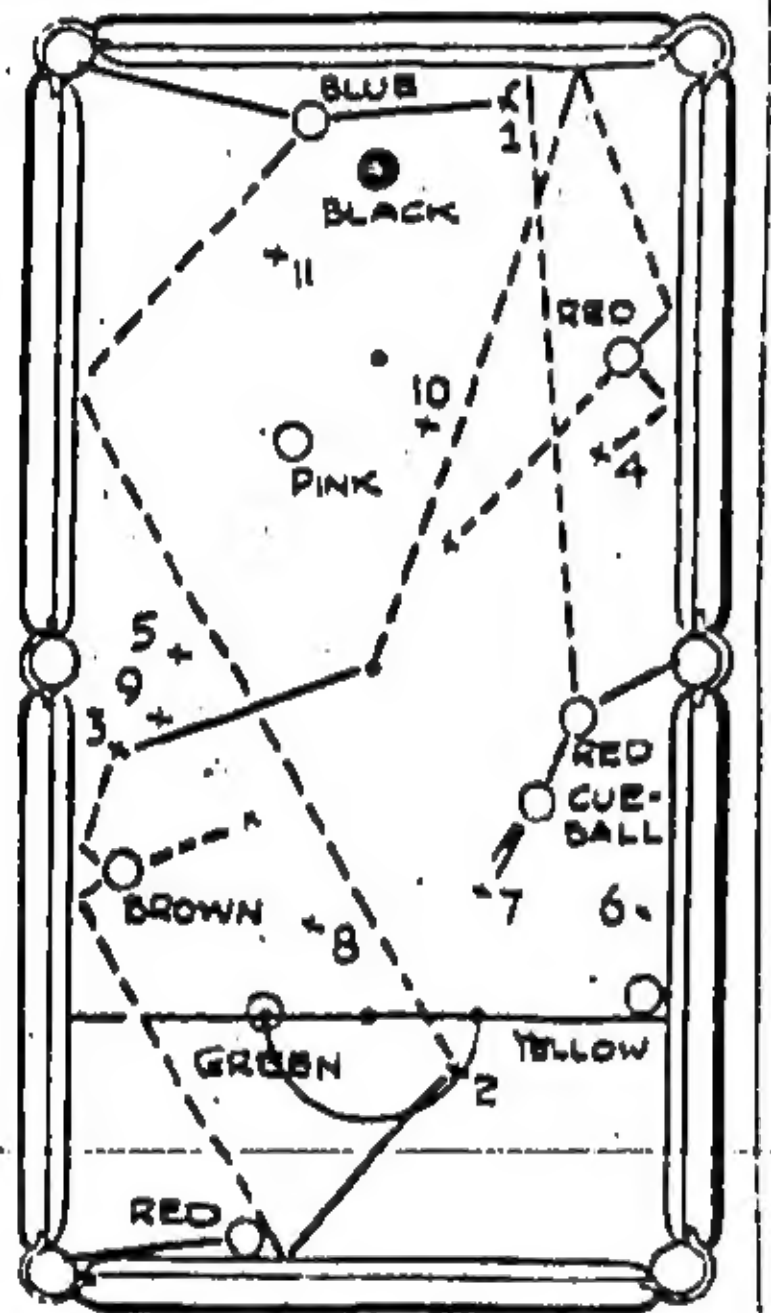
By Horace Lindrum
(World Professional Snooker Champion)

Many thanks, Mr Simpson of Darlington, for sending in your diagram. The problem is far from easy to deal with, but I will do my best.

On the assumption that the table has to be cleared, with a safety stroke in mind for each stroke, I would proceed to take the easy red into the right-hand middle pocket and send the cue-ball on to the top cushion to finish in position X1 for the blue.

The angle pot on the blue into the top left-hand corner pocket is ideal for getting into position for the red ball resting in baulk. I would play the blue with as much running side as possible to be sure of leaving the correct angle to pot the red lying hard up against bottom cushion from X2.

The blue is now on its own spot, so I would play the white ball with running side to pot the red into the bottom left-hand corner pocket, and assuming the red has gone down and the white ball has contacted the bottom left-hand side cushion to



squeeze the brown into the open. I am then in position for a cut stroke on the blue, X3.

The next shot would be to cut the blue into the right-hand middle pocket and send the cue-ball on to the top cushion to come back and squeeze in between the last red and the top right-hand side cushion. This would knock the red into position for a pot into the middle left-hand pocket and the speed of the white ball would be reduced after the squeeze.

From X4 I would play the last red into the left-hand middle pocket, and run-through to leave myself in a favourable angle position, X5, for the blue.

NOT EASY

The yellow is by no means an easy stroke. The blue would have to be potted into the right-hand middle pocket with a run-through against the white would then contact the right-hand side cushion and come to rest at X6. Now, addressing the cue-ball low, I would endeavour to pot the yellow into the bottom right-hand corner pocket and screw the white off the side into position X7 for the green.

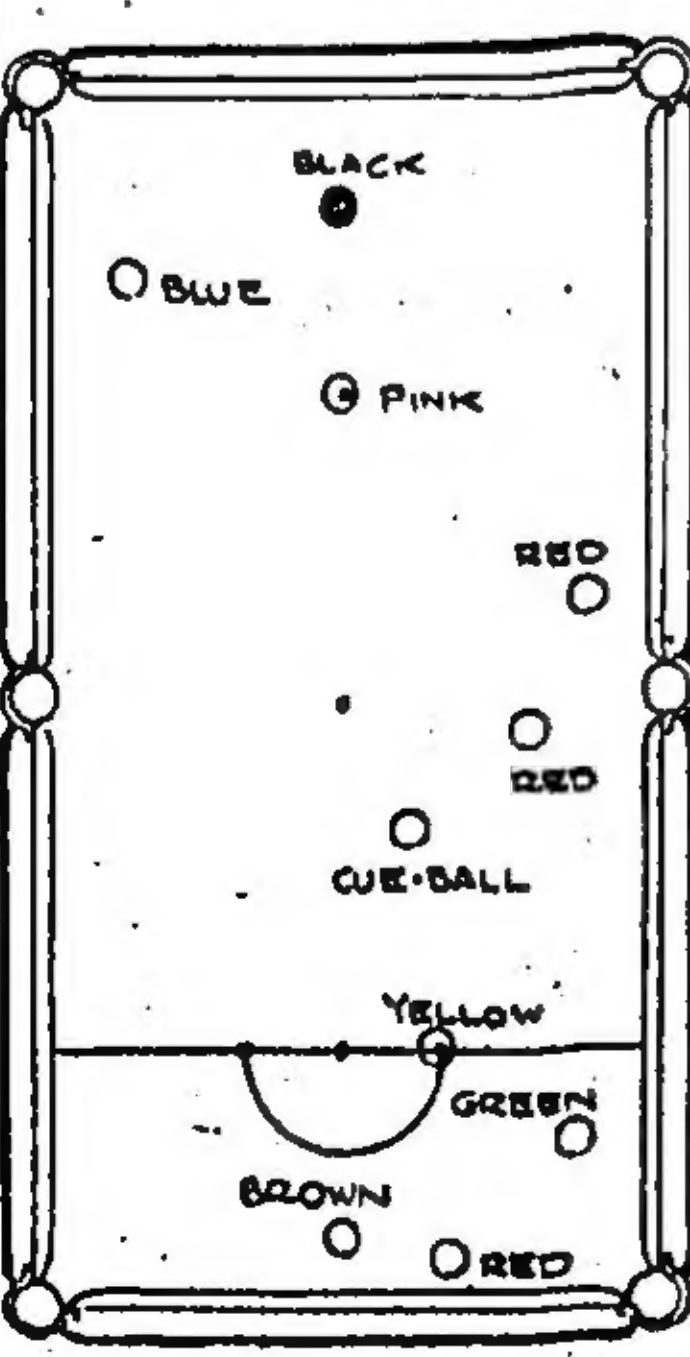
The green is a relatively easy pot into the bottom left-hand corner pocket, but the white would have to come off the bottom left-hand side cushion to finish in position X8 for the brown.

Correct angle positioning on the blue is essential for taking the pink, so in potting the brown into the middle left-hand pocket I must ensure that the white ball stops on spot X9. The blue is then potted into the right-hand middle pocket and the cue-ball follows through for a slight cut stroke on the pink from X10.

After potting the pink into the middle left-hand pocket, the cue-ball would come off the left side top cushion and finish in perfect position, X11, for potting the black into the top right-hand corner pocket.

From an exhibition point of view that is how I would endeavour to solve this problem, which is a difficult one indeed. If, however, it arose in a game of importance, greater safety play would certainly take preference. I hope more readers will send me interesting queries.

You To Play Until Next Week



This diagram depicts a position that confronted me at a recent Exhibition. What would you do? (Next week Horace Lindrum demonstrates what he did).

Hot opposition will be put up by Frank Poon's Athletics, who have come through with two rapid upset victories in recent weeks. Should Fred Dietz's boys come a cropper against the CAA, the light Junior Division race may witness a photo-finish with the second-place 7-fifths making their bid in the final stretch.

Tomorrow's lunch-hour game matches the Old Chinese Wahoons in the fourth of their five-game series with their old rivals the Squaws. Leading two to one at this stage, all the Green Owls have to do is register another win and the Ladies' Pennant is theirs for the sixth year in a row.

A Squaws victory, on the other hand, would force a fifth game play-off for the title, and Fred 'Ewings' yellow-shirted galaxy will muster their full strength for this "must" game.

In the Ladies' Junior Championship Series, Ella Chan's South China girls play a double-header against the rookie CAA team this afternoon and tomorrow noon. Having dropped their first game against the Pandas, South China will have to avenge their defeat from the Athletics in order to remain in the running for the Junior title. If they manage to pull this off, they will have another chance at the Championship in a return match against the Pandas girls.

ATTRACTION FARE
Senior "A" Division fixtures will provide much attractive softball fare for the thrill-hungry fans this week. In tomorrow's opener, the long idle Pandas take on Buster Holdings' Madcaps. These two teams are presently tied for fifth place in the Major League with six losses each, and both will go all out to tug the other team with the "lucky seventh" tomorrow.

Jackie Wei, taking over managerial reins in the second half of the current season, will be fielding his strongest possible side to regain much lost prestige and honour has it that his in-field will again include shortstop Wally Ma who has been bench-riding due to a knee injury. Foster's superior firepower and more steady fielding, the Chinese squad should take the decision from the Caps.

In another thriller, Red Pereira's Jaguars, fresh from their stunning upset of South China, are slated to meet up with the heavyweight US Navy outfit. The Navy boys pulled the upset of the season by downing the League-leading Braves last week with a one-hitter by hurler Bogard, and are consequently favoured to hand the disgruntled Jaguars their tenth defeat for the current season.

Vic Pedraza's speedy deliveries have been blasted to all corners of the ballpark this season, and the heavy-swinging Navy lads are not likely to hold anything back tomorrow. Navy pitcher Bogard, hurling fine, heady ball, limited the Braves batters to one measly single which was more of a freak than a hit, and should he hit his devastating form of last week, the Jaguar hitters will be in for a bad day at the plate.

In fielding, too, the Navy boys have improved so much that they seem an entirely different team from the erratic, fourth-placed RAF in a crucial match at Kai Tak, where a defeat will place them in a weak position in their deciding match against Scorpions on Sunday.

A defeat for Optimists this afternoon and a win for them tomorrow will put the race for the Senior Championship in a very interesting position, where Optimists, Scorpions and Army could all finish up with the same number of 51 points.

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RAF	15	6	0	0	3	30
KCC	14	5	0	7	2	27
CCC	13	4	0	6	3	22
Recreo	10	5	0	0	5	20
University	14	3	1	1	10	11

Hop, Steppers Hold The Spotlight At Sunday's Quadrangular Athletics

By "RECORDER"

The Hop, step and jumpers hold the spotlight at tomorrow's Quadrangular Athletic Meeting at Boundary Street despite the all-star field assembled for the Invitational Girls' 100 Yards and the first meeting of the Colony 400 Metres Championship, Lo Wing-chuen, with Lt. Goodburn and Michael Wilcox.

The Colony record-holder, To King-chau (43:7/4), the Colony Champion and Championship record-holder, Sgt. R. J. Healing of RASC (42:10/4), the former Colony Championship record-holder, Chang Yat-hung (43:2/4), and the University record-holder, Ng Chuan-wai (42:6/4) are all entered in the triple jump.

Though Signalman Alan Pendall (43:5 at Boundary Street on Thursday) has not been entered by Army, it is understood that the Army are making a number of changes in their original line-up to include several outstanding performers at recent unit meetings.

With Pendall in, it will be the greatest hop, step field ever assembled at one meeting and University's Ng Chuan-wai, who set the University record off a grass take-off, may well spring the surprise of the afternoon.

Softball League Standings

Senior "A" Division	P	W	L
Braves	12	10	2
South China	12	9	3
Warriors	11	7	4
St Joseph's	13	7	6
Pandas	11	5	6
Madcaps	11	5	6
US Navy	12	4	8
Jaguars	12	3	9
CAA	10	2	8

Senior "B" Division	P	W	L
Americans	13	11	2
Rexes	12	9	3
Blackhawks	11	8	3
Delawares	12	8	4
Rtd Sox	12	4	8
Wildfires	12	4	8
Pandas	11	2	9
Warriors	11	1	10

Junior Division	P	W	L
Dodgers	11	9	2
Griffins	10	7	3
Blackhawks	11	7	4
Pandas	10	6	4
Cornets	10	3	7
CAA	10	2	8
35 Bantams	10	1	9

Senior "B" Division	P	W	L
Wahoons	3	2	1
Squaws	3	1	2

Ladies' Junior Championships	P	W	L
Pandas	3	3	0
South China	1	0	1
CAA	2	0	2

SENIOR CRICKET LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOULD BE DECIDED THIS WEEK-END

By "THE ZOMBIE"

Should the weather hold, the Senior Cricket League Championship should be decided this week-end with the title likely to go to either the Optimists or the Scorpions. The Scorpions will have an easy match this afternoon and should collect all their four points without difficulty from Royal Navy to keep abreast with the Optimists, who dropped valuable points last week when they were forced to a draw by Kowloon Cricket Club.

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noon. It will take three good springs to do it.

The girls run the 100 Yards at 4.25 p.m. and it should be the greatest race ever seen in Hongkong in this event. The winner, Jennifer Hart or Rita Hall, but there is no guaranteeing that Lam Kin-lan, Deborah Hurlbutt will not hit the tape first. A lot depends on the start. Jennifer had her best ever when she set the Colony 100 Metres record at Caroline Hill on February 8.

FLATTER TOSSERS
The platter tossers are an imposing array, headed by the Colony record-holder, Chan Wai-chuen, and the Colony Champion, L/Bdr. Joseph Pawlowski. With them will be Lt. J. K. Lambert and University's R. Helmeier, both of whom look capable of 120 feet.

In the Long Jump, South China's To King-chau will be springing off one of the best approach runs and bounds in the Colony and may go out past 22 feet. University's Ng Chuan-wai and B. Dhabher will not be far behind him on a lucky jump.

The 880 Yards field is headed by Lt. M. N. S. McCord, with Cpl. J. C. Royce and Leung Kam-po as the principal opposition. The Mile should be Mike Cuizon's race with Cpl. Hatcher and LAC Hoskins fighting out second place. There nobody to touch Gnr. Derek Cobern in the Three Miles and Peter West's record of 16 minutes 11.6 seconds may go.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG BADMINTON ASSOCIATION
1952-1953 Hong Kong Annual Open Championships

Entries are invited for the following events of the above Championships which are expected to begin on Monday, March 9, 1953:

Senior Men's Singles	Senior Men's Doubles
Senior Mixed Doubles	Junior Men's Singles
Junior Men's Doubles	Junior Mixed Doubles
Senior Ladies' Singles	Senior Ladies' Doubles
Junior Ladies' Singles	Junior Ladies' Doubles

All members of clubs affiliated to the Hong Kong Badminton Association are eligible to compete. Any player in the Colony not being a member of any affiliated club may compete on payment of an affiliation fee of \$2, in addition to the entrance fees for the events entered.

Any player who is playing in the Senior Division of the League this season and desiring to enter any Junior event in the Championships should submit his or her entry not later than 1 p.m., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1953.

All other entries close on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1953. Entry forms are obtainable from club representatives, sports stores, or direct from the Hon. Secretary, c/o China Mail.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Hon. Secretary.

The premier race of the day will be the 440 Yards at 3.40 p.m. and long odds on Lo Wing-chuen against Goodburn and Wilcox would be rash.

Billy McCall is being left for the relays, with Quentin Almas representing the Combined Clubs in the 100 Yards and Stephen Xavier in the 220. Almas has the tougher job on hand, South China pitting Wong Min-wan against him.

The Low Hurdles should be a great race with F/Lt. Charles and the Colony Champion, A. Collaco, meeting Lt. R. A. F. Reep.

Reep is not in his strongest event—the 120 Yards High Hurdles—but the field here is a good one—2/Lt. J. O. Cave, Chung Yat-hung, the Colony Champion, Victor Lai and F/Lt. Charles.

The High Jump field—Gnr. George, Bdr. Darling, Yam Wai-ling, Ling Sun, Victor Lai and Quentin Almas—should see about four of the lot, over 5 feet 8 inches.

Sgt. N.R. Hughes, former Welsh Champion, is likely to be in the Javelin Throw. Chan Wai-chuen, who is again beginning to throw out to a respectable distance in this event, is another challenger to the Colony record.

In the Shot Put, Chan Wai-chuen and Cpl. Boddy are likely to beat 38 feet, but the Colony record is in no great danger.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes, and Entry Forms for the 10th Race Meeting 1952/53 to be held on Saturday 7th March, 1953, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, the Club House, Happy Valley, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday, 24th February, 1953.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members

Australian Subscription Ponies 1954

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 80 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1954 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

An application form has been posted to every Member. In the event of non-delivery further forms may be obtained at the Club's Office, Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

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Saturday, 21st February, 1953

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

The programme will consist of 9 races. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2 p.m.

Through Tickets (9 Races—\$18.00) also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on 2nd May, 1953, may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Office of the Club at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 20th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

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All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE
Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Alexandra House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such members to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.15 a.m. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office is situated at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, and the Secretary's Office at Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

A limited number of Ufins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Buy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 including tax for all persons including Ladies and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

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SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discretion and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,
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"YUNNAN"	Tsingtau & Piontsin	10 a.m. 26th Feb.	
"FENGNING"	Shanghai	10 a.m. 28th Feb.	
"SZECHUEN"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	8 a.m. 1st Mar.	
"PAKHUI"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	10 a.m. 1st Mar.	
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Sails	Arrives
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S. "ANTIOCHUS" do	10th Mar.
G. "PATROCLOS" do	10th Mar.
S. "AUTOLYCUS" do	25th Mar.
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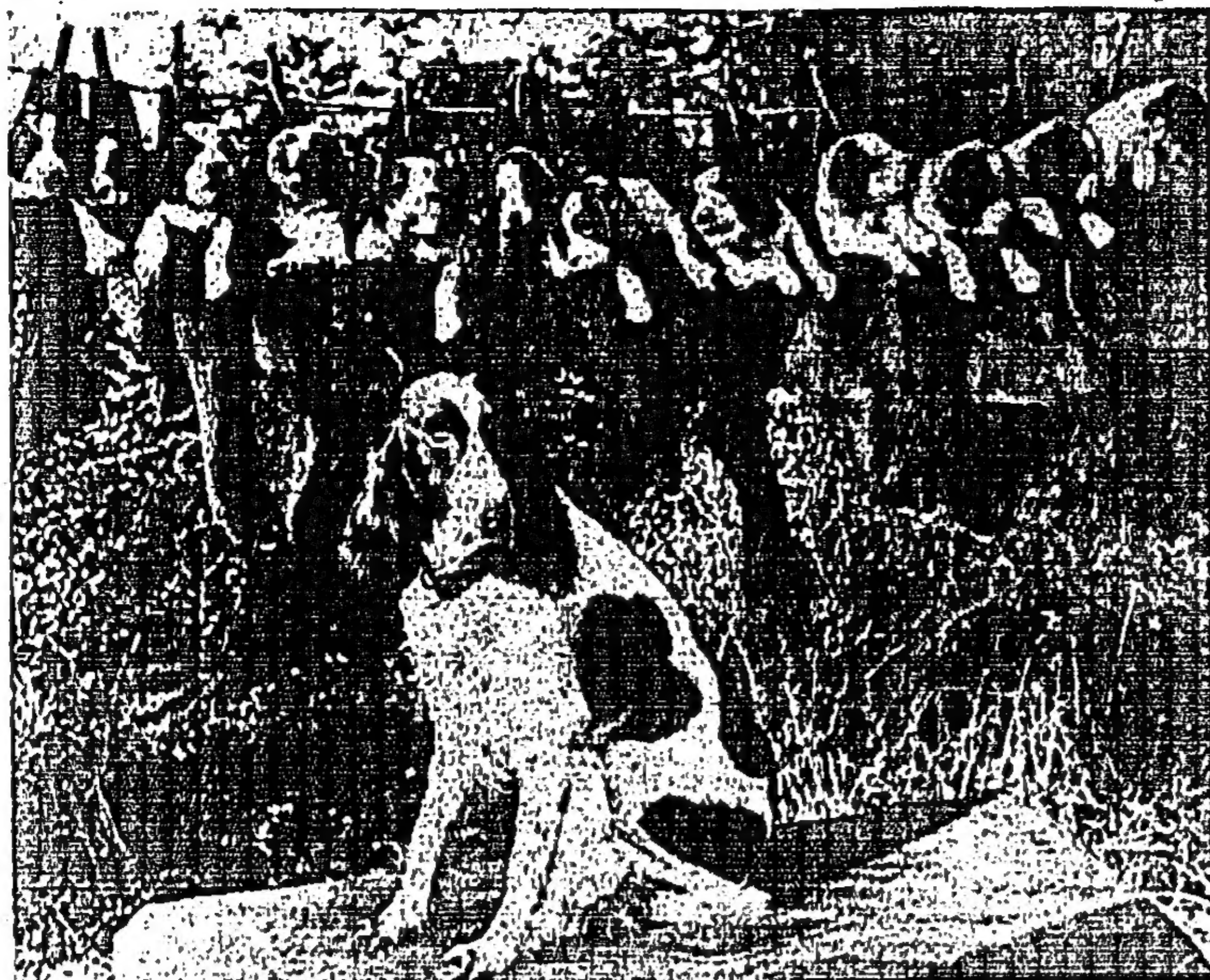
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"BENLEDI"	Direct to Singapore, thence London, Antwerp and Hamburg 13th Mar.
"BENVANNOCH"	Avonmouth, London & Hull 21st Mar.
"BENALDER"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Glasgow, Rotterdam and Hull 23rd Mar.
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the BOYS and GIRLS PAGE



BY THE DOZEN—Because it's not the Christmas season, Susie seems to be wondering why in the world someone hung up 12 socks and stuffed her newborn babies into them. The pedigree English springer spaniel, in Middlesbrough, England, is obviously taking a dim view of the prank.

HAVE YOU LOST ANYTHING?

—Just Ask Mr Punch and He'll Find It For You—

By MAX TRELL

"WHEN I was young," Mr Punch was saying to Knarf and Hand, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, "I was very good at finding things."

"You mean," said Hand to Mr Punch, "finding things that were lost?"

Mr Punch nodded. "Yes, my dear, no matter what was lost I could find it. I used to walk along the street and find pennies in the cracks in the sidewalk. I could find pins and buttons. I could find lost rubber balls. I was wonderful at finding all sorts of things."

Rise & Shine!

ROLLING out of bed is sometimes hard on these winter mornings! How are you on the get-up-and-go? If you are slow, daily practice at limbering up will make the operation less painful.

Take a tip from your cat. When puss wakes up, yawns and takes a long stretch. Both the yawn and the stretch are nature's way of making the blood circulate. Try it yourself. It really works.

Stretch the long way from your toes to your fingertips. Do it several times. Yawn! Wiggle your body under the covers and then throw the covers off. Up with the legs for some fast kicking. Fling your arms sidewise and straight up. You should be wide awake by this time.

OUT of bed and into the bathroom for a dash of cold water on the face and neck and arms. Take a look at yourself in the mirror and smile. You may not feel like it. Smile anyhow. Whistle a tune. Sing a song.

Set your mood for the day. You know it, takes the same amount of energy to be sour as it does to be cheerful. And who wants to be a sour Joe?



"Can you still find things that way?" Hand asked Mr Punch.

usually just where I would have gone if I had been a ball. "And," continued Mr Punch, "I did the same pretending with lost pennies, pins, umbrellas, hats and eyeglasses. I always pretended to be them. I rolled or dropped just where I thought I would roll or drop if I had been them."

Knarf and Hand both agreed that Mr Punch's idea of pretending that he was the thing that was lost, and making himself go where it went, was quite wonderful. "And can you still find things that way," Mr Punch? Hand finally asked.

"Certainly," replied Mr Punch. "If you don't believe me, just ask me to find something that's lost, anything at all."

Knarf and Hand looked at each other in astonishment. They waited and waited, but he didn't come back. Indeed, he didn't get back until the next morning. Then Knarf and Hand found him sitting quietly in his chair again.

"Well, I found those five minutes," he said, smiling. "I had to go all the way to yesterday to find them. Just look at the clock. It's right on time now!"

Mr Punch must have been telling the truth. The clock had really gotten its five minutes back!

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STAMP CLUB

HERE is an invitation to go to a fair. Where is it? In Trieste, an exciting city where east meets west on the blue Adriatic Sea.

The fair is as colourful as this red-white-green Italian stamp which is issued to boost it. Merchants from the west are showing many of the things that countries like Britain, France and Germany make—cars, clothes and machinery.



And men from the east have brought perfumes, silks and carpets. British soldiers are seeing the whole magic show. Because they are running Trieste with help from the Americans, Italians and Yugoslavs until the United Nations or somebody decides who really owns the city.

It was Italian until the war. Then Italy lost it. The stamp is printed on paper with wavy wheel watermark. Perforation 14; price in London, 6d.—J.A.A.

LETTER JUMPING

BY moving one letter to a different place in a word, you can often make an entirely different word. For example, you can change HINT to THIN by moving the H to the beginning of the word, while all the other letters, keep the same order.

Move one letter in each of the words below to make another word having the meaning given. Remember that all the other letters must keep their previous order.

- 1 Change BRAN to a stable.
- 2 ERA to part of the head.
- 3 SLAT to the opposite of "first."
- 4 SLAT to a seasoning.
- 5 LANE to the opposite of "fat."
- 6 BALE to a word meaning "skilled."
- 7 CARTER to part of a volcano.
- 8 ATE to a drink.
- 9 CRAVE to a word meaning "to cut up."
- 10 FLOW to a hen.
- 11 LATER to a word meaning "to change."
- 12 SLAVE to an ointment.
- 13 TEA to a word meaning "to consume food."
- 14 PLEA to the ringing of a bell.
- 15 CLOD to the opposite of "hot."
- 16 BOLT to a drop of ink.
- 17 DOES to a given amount of medicine.
- 18 ANGLE to a heavenly being.

PLUS C

If you put C before ART, it makes CART. If you put C before HEAT, it makes CHEAT; or by changing the same letters about, you can make TEACH.

Add a C to each word below and make a new word. Change the order of the letters if you need to. No plurals are allowed.

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| 1 Hum | 14 Tired |
| 2 Solid | 15 Leap |
| 3 Chat | 16 Worn |
| 4 Rose | 17 Hear |
| 5 Word | 18 Pearl |
| 6 Tape | 19 Sheep |
| 7 Hoe | 20 Steal |
| 8 Fat | 21 Spear |
| 9 Chin | 22 Potter |
| 10 Path | 23 Taper |
| 11 Lame | 24 Heater |
| 12 Heap | 25 Leader |
| 13 Solid | |

(Answers on Page 16)

Rupert and the Hazel Nut-9



Rupert and Bill notice that the old lady is peering anxiously into the trees and bushes, and as they pass near to her she calls out, "Oh, I'm so glad, you young people with sharp eyes, are here. Tell me, have you seen my pet monkey anywhere?—My Bopoz?"

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THE WORLD'S BEST!

Tripartite Talks In Athens On Balkans Defence Pact

Living Language
 Why we say Vex.

This word is allied with "vehicle" for both come originally from the Latin *vehere*, to carry. From this word the Romans invented *vexare* to mean not only carrying, but to shake about while doing so. It is in this sense that we are "vexed" when shaken about and jolted by a series of small annoyances.

U.S. Envoy Received By Queen

London, Feb. 20. Ambassador to Britain, new U.S. Ambassador to Britain, made a ceremonial call at Buckingham Palace today to present his credentials to Queen Elizabeth II. The Queen also received Mrs. Aldrich in the audience room overlooking the Palace grounds. Observing tradition, the Ambassador rode to Palace in a landau drawn by spirited horses and escorted by police. Three landaus, their crimson and gold trappings sparkling in bright sunshine, were needed to accommodate Mr and Mrs Aldrich and high officials of the American Embassy. The Ambassador and his staff were received at the grand entrance to the Palace quadrangle by members of the Queen's household, and were escorted inside while a small crowd, including many Americans, watched. The Ambassador and Mrs Aldrich were presented to the Queen by the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden. Mr Aldrich chose not to wear the ceremonial knee breeches in which some Ambassadors appear for presentation ceremonies. He wore a morning suit. Americans and diplomatic representatives of most Republics have discarded the "Court dress" which has been seen on few occasions recently. "The matter of attire has become optional and of course there is no regulation in the matter," said a Buckingham Palace spokesman. Associated Press.

Joint Nile Dam Plan Discussed

Bonn, Feb. 20. The West German Government will shortly send a delegation to investigate proposed new work on the Aswan Dam across the Nile, 500 miles south of Cairo. The decision was taken at a Cabinet meeting, a Government spokesman said today. The principles of the project to be carried out jointly by West Germany and Egypt were discussed between the Egyptians and the West German trade delegation which returned from Cairo recently. The West German delegation will include technical, economic and financial experts, but will not conclude contracts for the work, the spokesman said. That will come later. By joining in the scheme, the West German Government hopes to ward off the threat of a trade boycott by the Arab League if West Germany ratifies its restitution agreement with Israel, the spokesman added. —Reuter.

Ex-Premier's Death

Rome, Feb. 20. The death was announced today of the former Italian Premier, Francesco Saverio Nitti. He was 84. —France Press.

Athens, Feb. 20. Deputies of the Foreign Ministers of Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia today began talks in Athens to draft the text of a "political pact" which will be signed by the Ministers early in March in Ankara.

The agreement will be on the line of a pact of friendship and close co-operation and will provide a framework for military co-operation. It is believed that, as a result of the tripartite military talks now proceeding in Ankara, no special military pact will be signed.

Battle In Court Over The Bonn Conventions

Karlsruhe, Feb. 20. The West German Government parties today accused the Social Democratic Opposition in court here of having exerted unconstitutional "moral pressure" to prevent ratification of the Federal Republic treaties with the West. By claiming publicly that the treaties infringed the Constitution, they said, the Social Democrats had adversely influenced individual members of Parliament and the German voters with a distinct effect on local and State elections. The Social Democrats charge that the Government was trying to push through illegal treaties. The accusations were made when the legal battle over the validity of the treaties was resumed in the Second Chamber of the West German Constitutional Court. The Coalition asked the court specifically, in a document submitted today, to rule that ratification of the treaties by a simple majority would be legal. The disputed treaties are the Bonn Conventions to end the occupation of West Germany and the treaties to establish a European Defence Community. Both have been given a second reading in the Bundestag with a simple majority. But the final reading and vote have been postponed pending a decision by the Constitutional Court. In the present Bundestag, the Government Coalition — Christian Democrats, Free Democrats and German party — is unable to muster the two-thirds majority required for Constitutional amendments. The hearing is continuing. —Reuter.

Veteran Tennis Star Killed

Melbourne, Yorks, Feb. 20. Mrs Dorothy Shepherd-Barron, non-playing Captain of Britain's Wightman Cup team and pre-war Wimbledon tennis star, was killed in a car accident here today.

The car, driven by her husband, hit a telegraph pole and caught fire. Her husband escaped unhurt. In partnership with Peggy Hurd, she won the women's doubles championship at Wimbledon in 1931 and was appointed playing Captain of the Wightman Cup team the same year. She succeeded Mrs Kay Stammers Menzies as non-playing Captain in 1950. —Associated Press.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

This is not a difficult test. It will be found that only two arrangements of the two tables conform to the conditions laid down.
 Mrs. D (One) Mrs. F
 F Mrs. R and R Mrs. T
 T Mrs. R and R Mrs. T
 Mrs. F (Two) Mrs. D
 D Mrs. R and R Mrs. T
 T Mrs. R and R Mrs. T
 In either case Mrs. Fance was partnered by Captain Ruff. —London Express Service.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Before I said two words, he shook my hand and said, 'Greetings, son-in-law, she's yours!' Your dad sure is smart!"

Surprise Move In Case Of Ex-Nazi

Bielefeld, Feb. 20. The British authorities today lodged an appeal against a judge's order to allow ex-Nazi Werner Naumann to speak to the lawyers who are pleading for his release. This move may delay for months any decision on the habeas corpus petition by Naumann, leader of the group of seven men arrested by the British last month for a plot to seize power in Germany.

Four-Year-Old Goes By Plane Unaccompanied

A four-year-old Chinese girl, Miss Yee Nory Yung, left Hongkong today by Canadian Pacific Air Lines plane for Vancouver. She was unaccompanied. CPA officials said the little girl had been put in the hands of the company here by friends and that she was being met on arrival in Vancouver by relatives. "However," added an official, "she will get excellent attention from our stewardesses en route, as at least one girl on board the aircraft speaks Chinese."

The Best Solution

London, Feb. 20. The British Government has decided that the best solution of the Trieste question is the division of the two zones between Italy and Yugoslavia as at present separated, a high British source said today.

The only question is the timing of this ultimate settlement, the source said. He added that Britain felt that it would be most inadvisable to try to conclude such an arrangement before the Italian elections this Spring.

Both Italy and Yugoslavia were fairly well agreed on the same solution, he said, except that Yugoslavia insists that it must be a permanent arrangement while Italy feels that it should be temporary. —United Press.

Pledge Of Support

Canberra, Feb. 20. Australia's six State Premiers tonight pledged their support to the Federal Government's efforts to aid the Sterling Area balance of payments.

Mr. Robert Menzies, the Prime Minister, disclosed this after a long secret session with the State Premiers. He said the Australian Commonwealth and its member States, "had agreed to 'concentrate' on projects in current works programmes which are most likely to assist the balance of payments in the shortest time." —Reuter.

Mr. Maurice Bathurst, legal adviser to the British Commission, had a telephone talk with the British High Commissioner, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, before appealing.

Previously he said he had "categorical instructions" from the British Government not to allow Naumann to talk to either his British or his German counsel. There was no need for Naumann to give them any instructions as the case was to be fought entirely on the illegal aspects of his arrest and detention, he said.

Naumann is seeking to avail himself of the principle of English law that arrested persons must be charged or set free within 24 hours.

A CHALLENGE Naumann, one of seven Nazis arrested by British police in Germany last month, is appealing in court for a writ of habeas corpus.

His counsel, Mr. Scott Henderson, Q.C., is challenging the British High Commissioner's rights to order his detention without bringing him before a court.

When Sir Norman Edgley gave his decision today, Mr. Maurice Bathurst, legal adviser to the High Commission, asked the Judge to stay the order until he had telephoned his superiors.

He said he might require to challenge the judge's decision. —Reuter.

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Canada Slashes Taxes

Ottawa, Feb. 20. The Government, counting on a \$1,000,000,000 bulge in its booming economy this year, has ordered an 11 per cent cut in personal income taxes.

The Finance Minister, Mr. Douglas Abbott, in placing the budget before Parliament last night, said Canada could afford to slash \$243,000,000 in taxes, spend more, and still balance the budget. He estimated the value of all goods and services produced by Canadians will increase a record \$24,000,000,000 this coming year, up \$1,000,000,000 over the past year. Canada's mining, forestry and manufacturing industries are booming.

The Opposition Progressive Conservatives assailed the budget as an election year bid to return the Liberal Government of Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent to power. Most politicians expect an election this year, October 5 being the date most frequently mentioned.

The budget slashed corporation taxes, eased cigarette taxes by four cents a pack and cut out nuisance taxes on cheques and an unpopular \$2.50 licence fees on radios, besides providing an 11 per cent cut in personal income levies beginning July 1.

M. Macdonnell, chief financial critic for the Opposition, complained that the budget gave virtually no tax relief to lower income brackets. Canadian income taxes in the lower levels tend to be lower than similar levies in the United States.

However, no clear-cut comparison is possible because Canada has an important revenue-producing tax which is not used in the United States. This is a 10 per cent sales tax at the factory level on almost all goods except food.

This helps increase the price of cars, stoves and many other things over the prices prevailing in the United States and thus becomes in effect an additional tax on the consumer. —Associated Press.

ROMAN WALL DISCOVERED

Ravenna, Italy, Feb. 20. The remains of a large Roman wall have been discovered 25 feet under water off the coast near here by the crew of an Italian fishing boat. The wall section is about 200 feet long and about seven feet thick and stands slightly over six feet in height. It is made of large bricks held together by very resistant mortar. The wall is believed to have formed part of another structure which has since vanished, but may have been a landing stage used by the naval fleet of the Emperor Caesar Augustus. —United Press.

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Members and the public can still get in touch with the Secretary by dialling 70014 during the day or by dialling 37594 at night.

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